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MAIN POINTS OF ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN DRAFT ARMISTICE AGREEMENT

5,000 Lose Homes In Fire

Shanghai, Feb. 21.—Five thousand Chinese were rendered homeless when a two-hour conflagration razed about 100 flimsy straw huts in the northern district of Shanghai last night. Fire brigades were handicapped by insufficient hydrants and a poor water supply. Ashes from the fire, carried by a gentle breeze, landed at many points in the central district of the city.—Reuter.

More Racial Trouble In Durban

Indians Attacked

Durban, Feb. 20.—Two Indians were seriously injured in a clash tonight when crowds of Africans attacked an Indian bus and motor cars. Other Indians were less seriously wounded. Many were sent to hospital.

Police said an African was shot at from an Indian motor car and wounded. The driver of an Indian bus was pulled from his seat and stabbed. The bus was set on fire. Many arrests were made.

News of the fighting in the Umtata area, spread quickly and hundreds of angry Africans made a mass assault on the district pelting Indian motor cars with stones. Scores of police were rushed to the scene and found that many Indian pedestrians had been attacked and wounded.

The district police commandant, Major George Beaufort, said that fighting tonight and other disorders over the weekend were isolated occurrences which should not be regarded as an outbreak on a scale likely to reach that of the riots of five weeks ago.

The police were taking every precaution and that adequate forces were standing by, he added.—Reuter.

Front Lines To Be "Frozen": Gaza Coastal Strip For Egyptians

Rhodes, Feb. 20.—An Israeli courier left here for Tel-Aviv today with a copy of the latest draft of a general Israeli-Egyptian armistice agreement—hoped to be the final one—which Dr. Ralph Bunche, the acting United Nations Palestine Mediator, had worked all night to prepare.

Informed sources said the Israelis completely approved the draft, but that the Egyptians withheld approval of a disputed clause on the future status of Beersheba, the Jewish-held "capital" of the Negev, pending reference to Cairo. The Egyptians were expected to send a copy of the draft agreement to Cairo tomorrow.

Dr. Bunche read out the draft of the agreement at a 40-minute plenary session of the armistice conference today. Informed sources said haggling over Beersheba were mainly caused by Israel's reluctance to make any concessions regarding this desert town. The Jews were believed to have refused the Egyptian demands that the forces there be reduced.

The draft agreement so far comprised twelve articles. Official details were still a closely-guarded United Nations secret, but an informed conference source said that some of the main points were:

1.—The present front lines would be "frozen" with the exception of a few areas such as Ajlun, on the Egyptian border. Ajlun would become the seat of the mixed

Armistice Commission and would be neutral territory.
2.—The front lines would be separated in places by narrow "buffer" strips. These strips would

be regarded as a "No Man's Land," and would not be administered by the United Nations.

3.—The entire Gaza coastal strip would remain in Egyptian hands with the exception of several small changes. Among these would be Rafah, in the south. This area was to become the centre where the heavy arms from Faluja—the Egyptian pocket in the Central Negev—would be impounded under Armistice Commission supervision until such times as the Armistice has been fully implemented.

4.—The Israelis would be allowed to keep their forces in the Eastern Negev, facing Transjordan, until such time as a settlement is reached with King Abdullah.
5.—The Faluja garrison would be completely evacuated and the city taken over by the Israelis when the armistice is signed.

HAGGLING MAY GO ON

The haggling over Beersheba may go on for a day or two yet, informed sources said. This prediction pushed back the probable signing date of the armistice until the middle of next week. The bargaining had become close on Beersheba, this source said, adding that it was improbable that the Jews would be left in unrestricted control of the town.

The Israelis evidently regarded the negotiations as a victory. A source close to the Jewish delegation said they were "sitting back and waiting for the Egyptian answer" to the latest proposals.

Mr. Elías Sassoon, the Israeli Foreign Office expert on Arab affairs, was to leave here this week for Paris to open political talks with Arab representatives, presumably to pave the way for a final peace settlement with the States of the Arab League.

The United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission, which arrived at Amman, Transjordan, today by air from Iraq, is to be received by King Abdullah of Transjordan this evening. The commission will leave tomorrow for Syria.

Reuter despatch from Damascus said the future of the Golan Heights was expected to be one of its main items of discussion with the Syrian Government. According to Syrian newspapers, Golan landowners have sent a memorandum to the Commission and to Arab Governments asking that Golan be annexed to Syria.—Reuter.

Jerusalem, Feb. 19.—Brothers kissed, friends embraced and Jews and Arabs fraternised in the rubble of Vendelbaum Square today as the first batch of Arab prisoners of war was repatriated.

Exactly 187 Palestinian Arab and Transjordanian Legionnaires shuffled across No Man's Land toward home after dreary months.

The returns from the prisoner of war camp at Mafrag Bee were part of an exchange which is expected to clear prison camps within two weeks.

A Red Cross worker said, "This probably means the war is over." Red Cross officials estimated that 700 Jews were left in Transjordanian prison camps, while Israel still held about 7,000 Arabs.

Arabs who are being held prisoners include 5,000 Palestinians, 1,200 Egyptians, 45 Syrians, 11 Legionnaires and a few dozen Iraqis, Lebanese and Saudi-Arabians.—United Press.

Underground Leaders Held

Peiping, Feb. 20. (delayed).—The Communist authorities announced they had unearthed a big military underground in Peiping and arrested the ring leaders in a roundup on February 15.

They said the ringleaders included Chang Yin-kuo, chief of the organisation, his deputy Tung Shou-shan and chiefs of five guerrilla columns.

The authorities declared many weapons were seized, including three light machineguns and one grenade thrower.

The announcement said Chang was formerly chief of the Kuomintang Youth Corps in Hopei Province and "there was no evil he didn't think of." It said his base here was in a middle school.—Associated Press.

Karens In Pincer Trap

Decisive Stage In Insein Battle

Rangoon, Feb. 20.—Burmese government troops snapped a pincers trap today on the main stronghold of the Karen rebels in the battle of suburban Insein.

Two government columns sought to pinch off a fortified brick and concrete building, once the property of the American Baptist Mission, which the Karen tribesmen have converted into a heavily-armed fort. The Karens slowly curled back under succession of heavy blows by the government troops, reinforced by armed sailors whose ships bombarded Insein with light artillery.

HEAVY FIRE POWER

The battle appeared to have reached a decisive stage. The Karens, fighting to establish their own independent state, battled their way into the town on January 31 and have fought it out there since. Insein is 10 miles north of this capital city.

Naval units, thrown in to back the army, carried heavy machine guns and supported the land forces against the rebels. They landed under cover of a barrage from their ships standing out in the Rangoon river.

The sailors fanned out along the water front and began a foot by foot fighting advance in the face of gunfire from K-kens barricaded behind stacks of rice.

Observers felt the battle has reached a turning point but that several days of fighting probably still are ahead.—Associated Press.

Ho Ying-Chin Seeks To Reorganise Nationalist Armies

May Discuss Plan With Chiang

Shanghai, Feb. 21.—General Ho Ying-chin, former Minister of National Defence, who arrived here from Nanking on Saturday evening by special military plane, is expected to pay a visit to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek at Fenghua today or tomorrow, it was learned.

He is said to have drawn up plans for a thorough reorganisation of the Nationalist armies which he desires to submit to the Generalissimo. Unconfirmed reports said General Pai Chun-hsi, a close associate and supporter of Acting President Li Tsung-jen, might join General Ho in his trip to Fenghua.

According to political circles here, General Ho is indispensable to Acting President Li Tsung-jen's Government in the present Nationalist tug-of-war as he commands a great influence over army commanders graduated from the Whampoa Military Academy, which include General Tang En-po, commander of all the forces in the Nanking-Shanghai-Hanchow area.

The 64-year old former Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese ground forces is generally expected to be appointed Prime Minister if Dr. Sun Fo should resign or be ousted. In case General Ho should decline the Premiership, it is said that he may accept the Defence Portfolio under a Cabinet headed by General Huang Shao-hsiung, a native of Kwangsi like Acting President Li Tsung-jen and General Pai Chung-hsi, and an adviser to the Acting President.—Reuter.

LI'S SUBTLE MOVE

Canton, Feb. 21.—Acting President Li Tsung-jen has dealt his most subtle blow yet to Premier Sun Fo's Right Wing Cabinet with his arrival here.

The stake is control of the Nationalist government.

Ostensibly, Li again has taken the initiative toward unity between Nanking and Canton to better the Government's chances of making peace with the Communists.

But his unexpected trip to Canton also is regarded as a tactic to undermine the position of the rival Canton group, which is quietly controlled by Chiang Kai-shek and such Right Wing leaders as Foreign Minister Wu Te-chun and Chen Li-fu.

In face of Sun Fo's repeated refusal to return to Nanking for unified peace efforts, Li has humbled himself by flying here to confer with his nominal subordinate. His action likely will attract more popular support to his Nanking group.

OUTMANOEUVRED

By leading the Government's peace offensive, Li clearly has outmanoeuvred much political support from Sun Fo's refugee Cabinet here.

The Legislative Yuan decision to convene next week in Nanking is one sign of how, while almost alone, Li has outmanoeuvred his Canton opponents.

The Li-Sun talks in Canton may produce a superficial agreement, even possibly a Cabinet decision to yield to demands that it return to Nanking. But experienced political observers see little or no chance for real unity of the two factions.

Both are gambling for high personal stakes in the game of sheer power politics. The Communists

already hold the winning hand, but there are still chips to be won. To the Nationalist faction, capturing government control will give international recognition and the agencies for receiving any American aid. The possibility that even only a nucleus of an anti-Communist government may be pushed back into power by a third world war is never lost sight of.

TENUOUS GRIP

The Canton bloc already has taken in the Chinese Air Force, Navy and most government hard specie reserves—all held in Formosa. The tenuous grip on international recognition is also maintained by the presence here of the Foreign Office with accredited diplomatic missions.

Meanwhile, there are real and fundamental differences between Li Tsung-jen and Chiang Kai-shek's groups that cannot easily be settled, if at all. Political rivalry dates back more than two decades when Chiang openly fought Li and his Kwangsi clique, who still support the acting President. That antagonism persisted and was intensified last May when Li defeated Sun Fo for the Vice-Presidency and gave Chiang the worst political set-back in recent years.

Hostility also is drawn along regional lines which Li's projected itinerary of South China indicates he intends to develop further by visiting key military leaders.

SIMILAR AIMS

In their relations to the Reds, observers find little difference between the two factions—both seek either to stall the Reds off or gain some settlement that will permit the maximum to be salvaged from the wreckage of Nationalist China.

Although the Red attack both factions, they have been forced by public desire for peace to deal gingerly with Li's peace overtures.

Their slowness is believed to be a matter of strategy rather than a concession to Li Tsung-jen. In the new China they envisage, there will be little room for political opposition of any kind. It has been authoritatively reported that the new tough Red policy applies to pro-Communist third party leaders who do not exactly hew to the party line.—Associated Press.

7 Drowned When Ship Runs Aground

Oslo, Feb. 20.—Three Danish passengers and four Norwegian crew members were drowned when a small Norwegian motor vessel, the Bandak, ran aground in dense fog in the Sognefjord, Western Norway. It was reported today.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

The Prize For Hard Work

THE Four-Year Plan submitted by the British Government to the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation is a challenge to British industry. The terms of the Plan are not rigid, neither can they be enforced by some central authority; the various features of production and of imports and exports are not even forecasts of what will be achieved; the Plan, in fact, tells each industry what it must do to make Britain economically independent by 1953. In this sense the Plan is a challenge to the ingenuity of managements and workers—a challenge to their skill, enterprise and capacity for hard work. If they meet this challenge successfully, then the British people will have a "reasonable" standard of living by 1953, which means that most people will be living better than they were before 1939, though the richer sections of the community will still be rather worse off. But by 1953 industry should be well-equipped to offer a steady improvement in living conditions—a gradually expanding prosperity which will be shared fairly among the people. The Plan sets out clearly what has to be achieved by 1953, and though it does not present yearly programmes for all industries, it is easy to guess what each industry must try to accomplish during 1949. Britain and Europe must have more steel too. And on the assumption that output of steel will keep on increasing, the Four-Year Plan calls for higher production from the engineering, machinery, automobile and shipbuilding industries. In textile production there is even more need for improvement and there should be

good progress in 1949. But biggest developments of all are planned for the oil and chemical industries. There is no oil in Britain; oil has to be imported and up to now most imported oil has been refined abroad. A dozen large refineries are now being built and by 1953 Britain is expected to import and refine 20 million tons of crude oil a year. And attached to the refineries will be a large new chemicals industry extracting industrial and domestic chemicals from the by-products. At the same time the original chemicals industry, based on coal, limestone and salt, will be greatly expanded. All the projects in the plan call for greater productivity, a bigger output from each worker, and an all-around improvement which is to be gained mainly from new industrial plants, new machinery and modern equipment. This year will be the first year of the period of expansion; and it would, perhaps, be a mistake to expect outstanding progress in the production of finished articles in this first year. The most important developments in 1949 will be the opening of the industrial plants which were started in 1945 and 1946, the first of which are now being finished—new electric power plants, new steel works, new textile mills, new coal mines and other modern industrial plants which will expand and speed up production. It can be anticipated that the widespread improvement in productivity will be swift and impressive as from 1950, sufficient to give Britain what Sir Stafford Cripps has promised—the capacity to pay her way in the world and to offer her people a steadily rising standard of living. There can be no more satisfying reward for hard work.

WANT DUTCH "COMPELLED" TO OBEY UN

Washington, Feb. 20.—The National Planning Association today called for a halt of American recovery aid to the Netherlands unless the Dutch immediately nullify their latest military moves in Indonesia.

The resolution, adopted by the Association's Committee on International Policy, accused the Dutch of violating their pledges to the United States and of resuming the Indonesian war without warning.

It called on the State Department and the United Nations to do everything possible to "compel" the Dutch officials of the Indonesian Republic and withdraw their forces from territory held by the Indonesian Republic on December 17, 1948, and in good faith hold negotiations for a truce and popular elections.

"Unless the Netherlands at once complies with these demands, we will urge the Security Council to apply sanctions to the Netherlands and the United States to withhold all ECA aid to the Netherlands and its possessions," the resolution said.—United Press.

Senator Taft Throws In His Support For An Atlantic Pact

Washington, Feb. 19.—Republican Senator Robert Taft today threw his support behind a strong North Atlantic security pact which would pledge American aid to Western Europe in case of attack.

The Republican leader, who has often stoutly opposed the administration's foreign policy, joined the already impressive ranks of Senators supporting the pact as the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, prepared to begin the final round of negotiations with the ambassadors of Britain, Canada, Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

Meanwhile, diplomatic informants said that Norway might join the negotiations within ten days. A formal bid would be extended to Norway, it was said, as soon as the Norwegian Parliament went through the formally of approving membership in the Western alliance.

Norway's dominant party, overwhelmingly endorsed the pact at a special meeting yesterday. Senator Taft told a reporter he would favour a North Atlantic treaty similar to the Western Hemisphere defence pact signed at Rio de Janeiro in 1947. The Rio treaty is based on the principle that an

attack on any American nation is an attack on all of them.

Extending that mutual defence principle to the democracies of Western Europe "has been my idea right along," Senator Taft said.

Senator Taft, who is chairman of the Senate Republican policy committee, said much of the confusion over the proposed Atlantic treaty apparently grew from the failure of some Europeans to realize that no treaty could bind the United States to go to war automatically because, under the Constitution, only Congress could declare war.

However, he indicated that there was no constitutional objection to treaty language committing the United States to consider "force" as one way of keeping its pledge to help resist aggression.

The Washington Post said today, in a copyrighted dispatch, that a poll of the Senate showed that any armed Russian attack on one of the North Atlantic Pact countries would result in an overwhelming vote for U.S. declaration of war.

Of the Senators willing to answer at this time, the Post said, 59 said they would vote to repel any armed attack on Western Europe, while only one indicated he probably

would not. Thirty-seven Senators declined to answer at this time and eight could not be reached.

Sensors William Fulbright and Alexander Smith demanded that the pact contain the strongest possible assurances that the U.S. would not stand idly by if Russia moved into Western Europe.

In an interview, Senator Fulbright said, "We ought to make very clear what we mean. There is no sense in a merely moral commitment unless we make clear what our policy is to be in as strong language as we can make it. We must let the world know that if there is an attack on Western Europe we will repel it with force if necessary."

Sensor Smith said, "A pact in equivocal language might not make clear to our allies that we are prepared to back them up and would not make clear to Russia that we have no intention of backing down."

Diplomatic circles agreed, in the meantime, that the "critical stage" in negotiations passed when Mr. Acheson got the green light from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee after a three-hour closed session to discuss treaty language. Some officials hope the pact will be signed by mid-March.—United Press.



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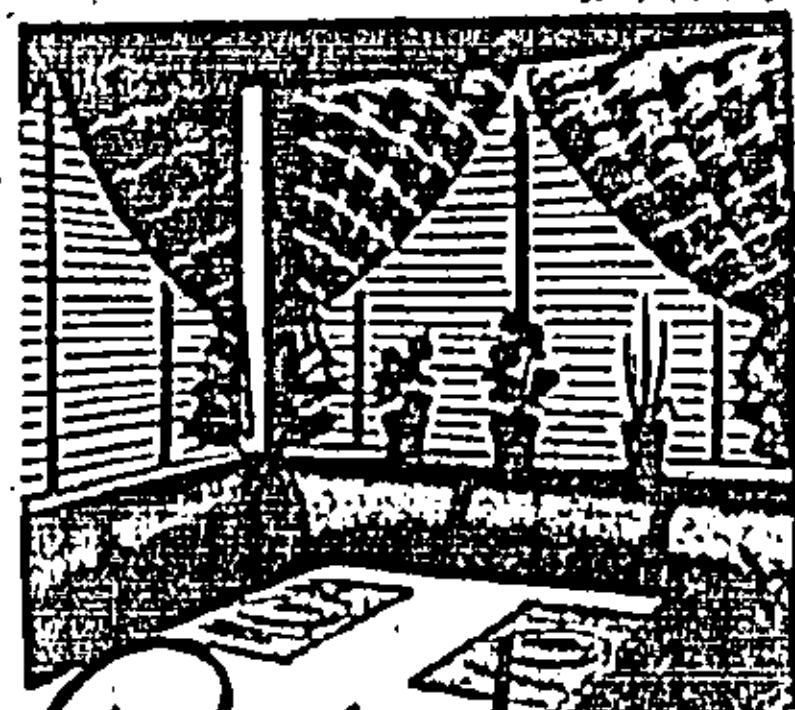
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WOMANSENSE



HEADS at the hair-fashion show... left, Joan Page, 10, of Harman... this style won the international hair-dressing competition in Brussels; centre, the "Spring Glory" hair-do, as worn by Yvonne Barnes, 18, of Kingston-on-Thames; right, "Fantasy in Colour" green and pink on a silvery base—worn by Mrs Edna Kay, mother of a 14-year-old girl.

Prince's Cottage Built To Measure

ONE of Prince Charles of Edinburgh's most treasured toys is likely to be a miniature cottage made by a group of men who served in Britain's National Fire Service during World War II. It has been accepted by Princess Elizabeth for her little son.

Shown at the recent International Housing and Town Planning Exhibition in London, it is a little too small for any child over seven, but a perfect size for anyone younger. Moreover, every piece of furniture in it is built to scale.

The story of how the creators of this little house first turned their attention to making toys is an interesting one. They began between fire-calls during World War II. Their first "clients" were bombed-out children, who were given beautifully finished toys made from odd pieces of wood. They became so proficient that when the war was over they formed a commercial company known as the Nursery Equipment Service Limited.

Their range of toys is a wide one. They have developed a delightful series of "rockers" including a rocking boat which seats four children and has sea lions' heads, and a seesaw supported by two elephants for much smaller children. The rocking cow, and the little swan rocker have become special favourites with youngsters.

Another of this firm's specialties is climbing frames, for which there is a great demand in nurseries and play schools. Built as units, they can be assembled quickly on the site. And since the Nursery Equipment Service believes that it is never too early to teach road sense, their traffic lights toy is designed to teach children from their earliest years the meaning of the three colours.

Wardrobe Fresheners



By GRACE THORNCLIFFE

NEW BLOUSES, bags, gloves and shoes all help to give more than just a hint of Spring to tired winter wardrobes. There is plenty of fine detail in this pretty blouse of white batiste. The crisp fabric is set off by narrow insets of lace draped to a rigid base. It has a silver frame and double handles. The pump has a navy suede vamp and heel and the heel quarter is of beige kidskin.

It is the stabilized, modernized London version of the New Look which the New Look which captivated woman's fancy because it was feminine and not tailored.

News for women are the handkerchief and creole-coloured cottons used for evening dresses—vivid colourings that remind one of the French West Indies.

The evening clothes were the highlight of the show—Maitil used grey lace and white lace for full-skirted dresses, nylon chiffon for a floating pastel-coloured dress, and the cottons.

The majority of evening dresses are full-skirted with narrow shoulder straps.

U.S. Women's 1949 Resolution

By ELIZABETH TOOMEY

NEW YORK

The annual exercise resolve has showed up again on feminine lists of good intentions for 1949. Holiday sweets, plus bathing suit reminders in resort pictures, are the yearly signals for frantic bending and rolling.

In New York City alone, an average of 1,000 women a week are going through combination exercise and beauty courses given in four leading cosmetic salons.

Married women, who make up a majority of the classes, reportedly are the most enthusiastic pupils. One authority credits their wholehearted devotion to the exercises to the fact that their husbands have criticised them.

The exercise instructor in the speediest retraining school, a five-day "wonder course" given by Helena Robinson, says the trouble with most American women is that "they don't know how to handle their posteriors." The first thing she does with a class is to back the ladies up against a wall and sternly order them to walk away with "hips tucked under, girls."

Few of the exercises are new to the women, who struggle through them dressed in form-revealing blue jersey suits. The main purpose of the brief, slimming courses is to fire the pupils with new ambition to follow the exercises regularly at home.

"I advise the ladies to exercise before meals, before breakfast if possible," said Diana Deimel, the exercise instructor. "They need about an hour a day until they get their figures to the correct proportions, then 15 minutes should be enough."

New Year Resolution

Along with the New Year's resolution to lose weight goes an accompanying resolve to take better care of the skin. The skin care and makeup phase of the beauty courses are favourites with the muscle-weary women.

"Only one woman in ten knows how to care for her face properly," according to Dr. Frances Gould, skin specialist at the wonder school.

"They don't pay enough attention to the skin underneath the makeup, or to their eyebrows," she said. "Properly-shaped eyebrows can correct a whole face."

The women are advised to wear slightly darker foundation and powder in the daytime than in the evening, though lipstick and eye-shadow can be darker at night.

"A too-healthy look in the evening is not good," Dr. Gould claimed. "It's more fashionable to look delicate."

A survey showed that most of the married women crowding into these salons are just past 35.

U.S. 'Woman of Year' is a Briton



BARBARA WARD
Found little male prejudice

NEW YORK.—Barbara Ward, of 335, Park West, W2, London, economist and author, was named recently as one of the Ten Young Women of the Year.

She was the only woman outside America named by Betsy Talbot Blackwell, editor-in-chief of the American magazine Mademoiselle, in honouring 10 young women with 1948 Merit Awards for outstanding achievements in their fields.

Miss Ward, who is a BBC governor, is described as "a woman economist in a severe man's field."

"She has won the enthusiastic respect of English and American experts. With clarity and charm she has made complex issues and economic jargon intelligible to the reader," says the magazine.

Little Prejudice

Miss Ward said that she has found "very little male prejudice against women in her field."

Opportunities for women are widening, and women can combine marriage and a career successfully, she said.

Another Young Woman of the Year, for her "flourishing young career and the youth of her spirit," was 88-year-old grandmother, Mrs Anna Mary Robertson Moses, of Eagle Bridge, New York.

She is a painter, widely known as Grandma Moses, and first began painting at 70.

The Clothes Every Woman Imagines Herself Wearing

By PATRICIA LENNARD

OUTSTANDINGLY the best show in London's week of fashion collections was the Maitil show, when this designer showed the type of clothes that every woman imagines herself wearing.

They were simple, feminine clothes—high bust, natural but not clipped-in-waist, rounded hips, and a sensible skirt length by day at 12½ in. from the ground.

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The majority of evening dresses are full-skirted with narrow shoulder straps.

The only style near a sleek, but not tubular look, are silk jersey evening dresses in dark, vivid colours like crimson.

This time satin is not to be worn by evening—only the materials I have mentioned, also dyed silks and lovely shot taffetas in changing colours of blue and green.

Soft materials, like satin or stiff tie-silk, are used only for six o'clock jackets, modified full skirts.

Shoes worn in the show featured a low front filled in by either tabs of leather that tied in bows up to the ankle, or by a grosgrain "spat" that also had tabs fastening up to the ankle.

Models carried long umbrellas, wore diamond brooches and fobs high on the lapels of their suits; the fringed triangular stole is worn with a tweed frock to match.

The hats were small, set well back on the head, with most of the trimming at the back.

Let Make-Up Be Very Subtle



A new, long lipstick applicator makes it easy to get a nice, neat outline. After applying colour, blot with tissue.

By HELEN FOLLETT

IMPROVEMENT in makeup technique is apparent wherever women assemble. No doubt you have noticed that the scenic complexion is seldom displayed. The pretty dainties that come out of the rouge compact. They are laying a lighter film of pigment on their lips. This is all to the good.

Among lapses that are still noticed is the practice of not tinting the entire lip surfaces, putting on a heavy smear in the centre, not spreading it far enough to cover the lip ends. Sometimes the application does not include the inner surfaces, as it should. Not enough to be picked up by the pearly teeth, of course, but just enough so there isn't a dead line between the natural colouring and the synthetic one.

At this season of the year you may need a powder of slightly light-

er tone. The pinky-pink ones are still popular, especially with women who have lost contact with the blonde, the brunette and the redhead. They do give life and character to the complexion.

New lipstick colouring ranges from crimson to the blue-reds. You'll find the lipstick brush a handy little gadget.

As rouge is doing a disappearing act, eye shadows are coming forward. Don't monkey with them unless you use a sparing hand. Too heavy an application can make a girl look hollow eyed.

Draw a deft line with the shadow along the eyelashes, then close your eyelids and, with a light finger, spread the colouring agent upward and across. Never let it extend beyond the far terminal of the eyebrow.



A Delightful Sweet Made With Left-Over Cake

BACK in our testing-kitchen, the Chef and I were making ready to taste-test the foods for tomorrow's dinner. I was putting the dessert together and he was washing fresh, crisp vegetables in the spray at the kitchen sink.

"We have several dishes that may be new to some of our readers," said, "the fresh pork pie Canadian, apple-sauce with horse-radish, carrots menagerie and the dessert, which in Quebec they call Bagatelle."

"That is the French way of describing this dessert which corresponds to the English 'trifle'," said the Chef.

"This is not only a delicious dessert," I went on, "but it is inside the budget because it can be made with left-over cake, or with those inexpensive vanilla cookies that come in packages. In Canada it's usually made with maple custard, but plain soft custard tastes almost as good. However, it must chill at least an hour or more in the refrigerator to set the flavours. This will be ready to eat by the time you get the main course done." I added, sliding the completed dessert under the freezing unit of the refrigerator.

The Main Dish

"For the main dish I have bought fresh lean pork which is fairly reasonable in price," observed the Chef. "I have enough to make a large pie. We can have it hot for dinner. The remainder can be sliced thin and served cold with a tossed green salad and sliced tomatoes for lunch the next day."

"Cold pork pie is good in a lunch box, too," I suggested. "A welcome change from a steady diet of sandwiches."

"I think our readers will be specially interested in the sauce—I am making to use for the carrots menagerie," said the Chef. "I recommend it instead of white sauce for creaming vegetables, which is often pasty and has no character. This 'blond' sauce has a much more appetising flavour. I brown margarine or butter until it is a nice light brown. I add some shallots—onion is good also. Then I stir in a little flour and cook and stir until that also is light brown. Then I stir in milk and some vegetable liquid, a little at a time, not to make the lumps. When it boils I add salt and pepper. The result is a beautiful blond. I think most men would like that, out?" he chuckled, as he turned to the carrots.

"And in this case the women will like it too," I laughed.

Dinner
Cucumbers and Scallions
Sliced Tomatoes
Fresh Pork Pie Canadian
Apple-Sauce with Horse-Radish
Flaky Potatoes
Carrots Menagerie
"Bagatelle"

Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)
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Fresh Pork Pie

Put 2 lbs. lean fresh pork cut from the shoulder, through the medium-sized blade of the food chopper, with 2 small peeled onions and 1 lb. fresh fat-back. Put in 1 sauce pan with 1 c. boiling water, 1 tsp. salt, 1/4 tsp. pepper, 2 tsp. salt, 1/4 tsp. nutmeg and 1/4 tsp. allspice. Simmer 30 min., stirring often to avoid sticking to the pan. Remove from the heat; add 3 c. lightly packed soft white bread crumbs. Mix thoroughly and cool. Line a 9 in. pie plate with American piecrust. Put in the pork filling. Fit on a top crust as usual. Slash in the centre to allow the steam to escape. Bake 10 min. in a hot oven, 450 F.; then reduce the heat to 350 F. and bake 30 min. longer. Serve hot or cold the next day. Enough for 2 meals.

Carrots Menagerie

Peel and thin-slice enough carrots to make 2 c. Add 1 c. water and 1/4 tsp. salt; cook until the carrots are tender. Reserve the liquid. There should be about 1/2 c. Add 1 c. "blond" sauce. With this make a "blond" sauce. Add the carrots; heat and serve plain, or sprinkle with grated cheese.

"Blond" Sauce for Carrots: Melt 1 1/2 tbsp. butter or margarine. Add 2 fine-chopped peeled shallots, or 1/2 tsp. minced onion, and allow both butter and shallots or onion to brown lightly. Add 2 tbsp. flour and cook and stir until browned. Then slowly stir in the 1/2 c. liquid drained from the cooker carrots mixed with 1 c. whole milk. Simmer 3 min. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

"Bagatelle"

On a medium-sized deep round dessert platter, arrange a ring of 4 halved small sponge cakes or an overlapping ring of vanilla wafers. Inside this, put a ring of sliced peaches, fresh or tinned. Fill the centre with cake or wafers. Pour over 1 1/2 c. hot soft maple (or plain) custard; cool and refrigerate at least 1 hr. Before serving top with uncooked meringue.

Maple Custard: Scald 1 1/2 c. milk with 1/2 c. maple syrup or a "fac-simile." Combine and beat 2 egg yolks and 1 tsp. cornstarch. Stir in the hot milk. Return to the double boiler and cook and stir until it coats a spoon. Chill. Then stir in 3 drops vanilla and a few grains salt.

Trick of the Chef

For horse-radish apple-sauce, add 1/4 c. prepared horse-radish, 1/4 tsp. salt and the juice of one-half lemon to 2 c. thick, medium-sweet apple-sauce.

WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



BOOT BLACKS—Aspiring show girls have added a glamorous touch to the shoe shine trade. Between jobs, the enterprising beauties polish shoes in New York nightclubs and cafes.



MYRTLE THE TURTLE—Myrtle can't seem to move any faster. Not even with help from these young Jewish DPs at Sosua, in the Dominican Republic, West Indies.



SPORTY TOUCH—Actress Gloria Erlanger models a white pique "Hatnet" with crown of Shetland mesh. A pair of bows at the crown gives it the feminine touch.



MEDIUM OF EXPRESSION—Puppet-maker Jacek Karpowicz works on a model of France's Foreign Minister, Robert Schumann. France's Defence Minister, Paul Ramadier, left, looks on while Stalin, Truman and Marshall share a shelf. With these, the artist interprets world affairs.



BEHIND THE CURTAIN—Reporters interview Father George Antonio LaBerge in New York. The chaplain of Roman Catholic Americans in Moscow and a professor at Assumption College in Worcester, Massachusetts, flew to the United States from Russia.



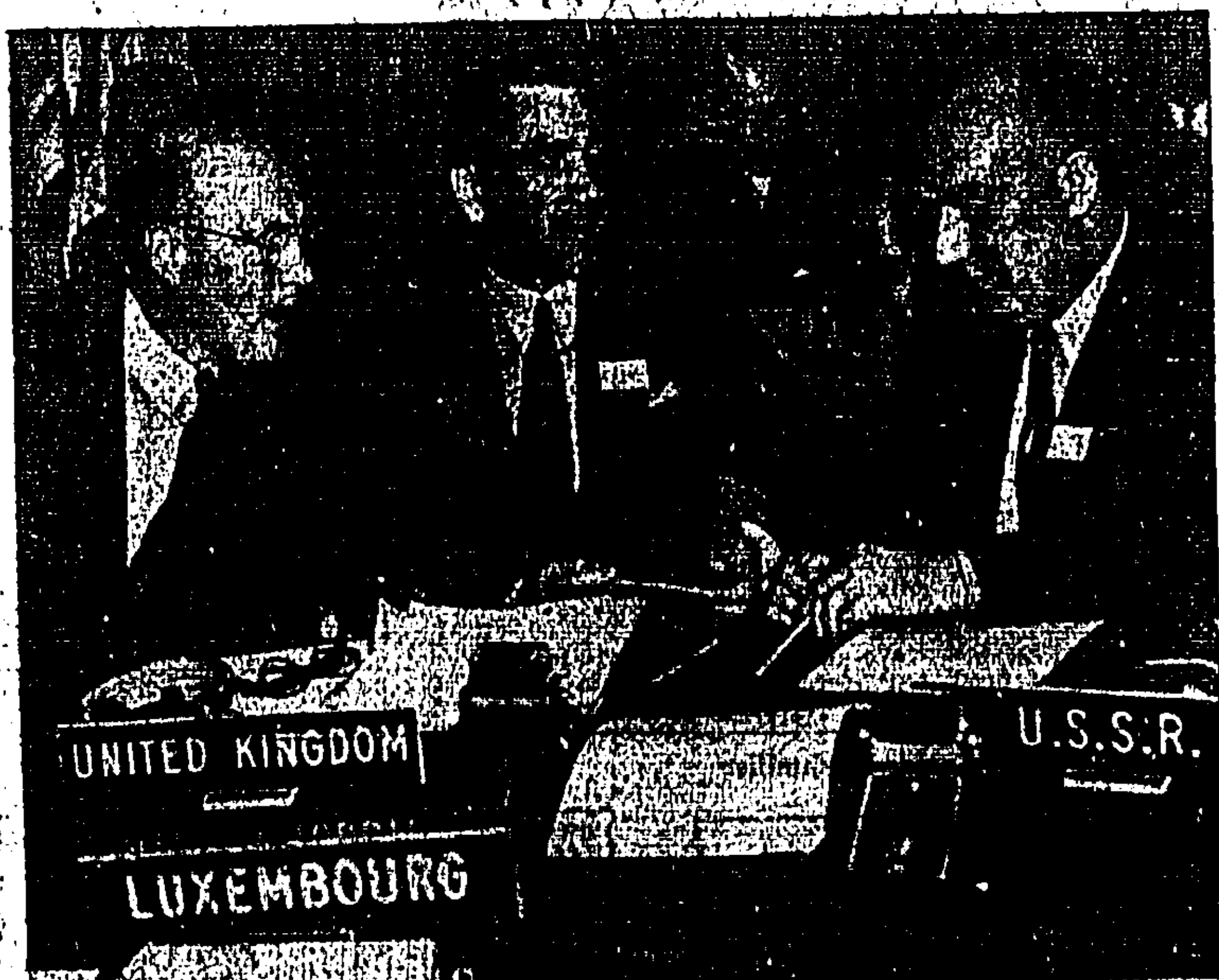
TAKES TIME—Actress Kipee Valez has had these pretty legs all her life, but Hollywood didn't realise it until she uncovered them as a bit actress for Sterling Hayden and John Payne. Now she is signed in a starring role.



YOUNG UNCLE SAM—"Uncle Sam," nine-year-old Wembley lad, Malcolm Campbell, gets a warm handshake from London's Lord Mayor, Sir George Aylwen, at the annual children's fancy dress party at the Mansion House, London.



WALLS CAME TUMBLING THROUGH—Thirteen brand new trucks were dehted and strewn with bricks when this fire-seared wall collapsed in Wichita Falls, Texas. The resulting damage to the transfer and storage building was estimated at \$25,000.



WHEAT TALKS—United States Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan, T. Sheed Anderson of the British Ministry of Food, and Sergei Alekseevich Borisov, Soviet Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade, in consultation at the 48-nation International Wheat Conference in Washington.



SEARCH FOR BLACK GOLD—These seismograph crew members are planting a sensitive seismometer in a sand dune in Monahans, Texas. A recording truck checks waves of exploding dynamite charges, supplying geophysicists with an accurate picture of subsurface structure for use in determining probable drilling spots for oil.

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WHY PILOTS MAKE MISTAKES

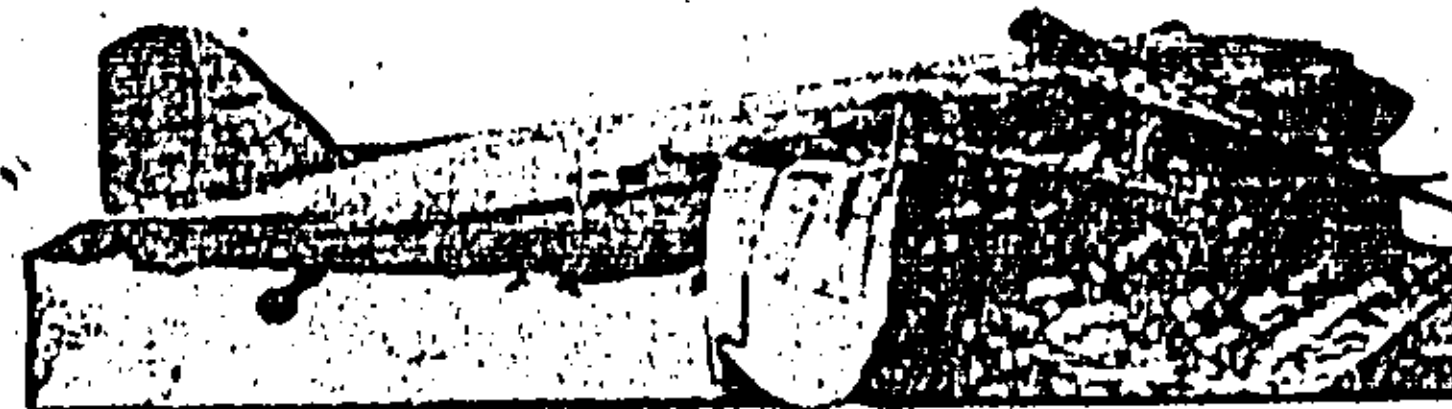
Absent-minded—they press the wrong button

CRACK R.A.F. pilots taking part in mock flying tests to find the cause of crashes lost their tempers, bailed the controls, and made blunders as bad as "throwing away a cigarette and smoking a match."

The Air Ministry report which describes the tests shows that many—probably most—flying accidents for which aircraft are blamed are caused by the anxiety or absent-mindedness of pilots.

SIMPLE fatigue is the common excuse, but it is NOT the common cause, says the report. To get this evidence hundreds of pilots were given two-hour tests in a mock cockpit which reproduced the conditions of blind flying. While the men carried through a series of difficult manoeuvres, a Medical Research Council team headed by ace-psychologist Sir Frederic Bartlett watched their reactions. Its report shows that the most experienced pilot may unconsciously make a serious blunder and carry on flying without realising he has done it.

One man tried to "land" the machine when his altimeter dial showed 1,000 feet. "I am sorry,"



CHAPMAN PINCHER

tells what happened when crack pilots were tested

but such things just happen," he told the scientists. Nearly a quarter of the pilots came out of the tests graded as "temporarily unsafe—a diagnosis supported by later events. The report says: "One pilot losing control at 7,500 ft. seemed as if paralysed and incapable of any organized activity. This flier was killed in an accident three months later. Medical Anxiety is given as the commonest cause of flying errors. Anxiety makes pilots flustered instead of concentrating their powers of concentration. The too-anxious pilot is impetuous; he over-corrects his mistakes, and in so doing he loses sight of the instruments he is to look at other vital dials. The scientists say: "Much of this will not be done

to wartime fliers. The letters "P.E."—Pilot Error—closed dozens of reports on non-combat crashes. This was the sort of detail which followed a P.E. report. "Pilot omitted to check fuel gauge before take-off. Pilot pulled the under-carriage lever instead of the flap control." "Pilot feathered the propeller on a 'good engine' . . .

AT one time during the war Pilot Error became almost as common a cause of fatal accidents as enemy action. The R.A.F. introduced many devices to counter this human failure. Ear-piercing horns were placed behind the pilot's head to shock him into consciousness if he forgot

to put his undercarriage down. Red lights glowed in front of him if he tried to land with wheels up. Lids were placed over buttons so important that accidental operation of them could bring disaster. And the R.A.F. introduced rhymes and catchphrases to be repeated to remind the pilot of every action to be carried out and the right order to do them.

THIS latest research team has been largely free from the day-to-day toll of life which forced wartime researchers to improvise. Its conditions show that some of the bad-weather crashes blamed on flying conditions may, in fact, have been caused by the anxiety which the weather caused in the pilot's mind.

The scientists suggest that "epidemics" of flying accidents may be the direct result of an anxiety neurosis in pilots brought on by hearing the news of the earlier crashes. And they made this important discovery: that in the last few moments of a mock flight, the pilot unconsciously "lets up" and may become careless. This may account for many of the landing accidents. Alcohol cut down a pilot's skill in the cockpit test to an amazing degree. Of ten R.A.F. officers given two double whiskies before the test, only one put up a good score. And extra vitamins were found to be no help in boosting a pilot's performance.

The new Israel has been asked to plan—

THE RETRIAL OF JESUS CHRIST

BY JAMES BARTLETT

A NEW file rests on the desk of the Minister of Justice in Israel—a new file that shows how much more than nineteen hundred years can vanish in a night. Its subject: "The Trial of Jesus Christ." Mr H. A. Lobbe, a Dutch engineer, is the first man to bring before the State of Israel an international issue which has nagged the conscience of mankind since the days of Pontius Pilate. He is asking for an official review of the greatest trial the world has ever known. It is not the whim of a crank that raises this issue. It is a principle of justice, recognised by millions of men and women who consciously or not live their daily lives by Christian ethics.

JUSTICE has no date-line. Mis- carriage of justice in civilised people at any time that they do not rest until the record has been put straight. So the Dutch engineer echoes the feelings of others in all lands where the tragedy of Good Friday is still as real as when it happened. Mr Frank Zwoyer, 57-year-old lay preacher as well as metropolitan magistrate for the past 12 years, has provided the material for a revival of the case for a new verdict.

On strict legal grounds he condemns both the Hebrew trial and the Roman trial which followed it. In a Jewish Court the trial did not usually begin with the preferring of a charge. Witnesses first made complaint, and on their evidence the judges decided what the charge would be.

BUT of this first trial Mr Powell says: "Strictly speaking, Jesus was never formally charged with any offence. He was condemned out of hand for blasphemy the moment he claimed—in the court itself—to be the Messiah and Son of God."

There was no further investigation. The Jewish judges refused to listen further. They said: "He is guilty of death." But nothing was said of this when Jesus was taken before the Roman Governor.

Realising the Pontius Pilate was going to insist upon a formal trial, the Chief Priests said: "We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Caesar, saying that he himself is Christ a King."

Here was no mention of blasphemy—the charge had been changed to high treason. Treason was a charge which Pilate alone could try, and one he could not shirk. It was his bounden duty to investigate it, and he proceeded to do so.

The magistrate of 1949 looks back through the centuries at that evidence which rocked the ancient city of Jerusalem at a time when London was an obscure village.

THE TRIAL OF JESUS CHRIST by Frank J. Powell, Paternoster Press, 6s.

He declares that neither "legal" nor "natural" justice was done. Legal justice is man-made and can be lawfully altered by the State. Natural justice, explains Mr Powell, is the birthright of every human being. It includes the right to a "fair" trial and an acquittal if not condemned.

It is universal, for it knows no territorial limits; it is fundamental to every system of law. Both the Jewish and Roman courts professed to administer natural as well as legal justice. But, says Mr Powell, neither did so in the case of Jesus—"each court denied Him both kinds of justice. Justice was not done, and was manifestly and undoubtedly seen not to be done."

Although this is his reasoned verdict, he knows that many questions cannot be answered dogmatically: in a lawyer's eyes the record of A.D. 30 are too hazy.

EVEN the true date of the trial of Jesus is in doubt. Probably A.D. 30, but possibly A.D. 29 or 33. The main sources of information about the two trials are in the New Testament, which was

mostly in writing before A.D. 70. The original writings have disappeared.

But Mr Powell lists 15 standard works which he has studied in his search for strict legal evidence of miscarriage of justice.

Judging from these sources, and from the works of the Jewish historian Josephus, who probably knew more than anyone about the law and practices of the Jewish courts in Pilate's time, Mr Powell sums up his findings.

1 THE FIRST TRIAL OF JESUS—by the Jews—was illegal because the members of the tribunal had made up their minds beforehand to bring in a verdict of "Guilty." It was a tragic mock trial, which could never have been conducted on such lines in any public court of the present day.

2 THE SECOND TRIAL—by the Romans—was legal and was fair. But Pontius Pilate yielded to the demands of the mob. Without deciding his verdict he sentenced Jesus to death. Why did the two chief judges act as they did?

BARBARA WARD gives her verdict on the Budapest trial: 'An attack not on religious freedom only, but on the rights of man.'

WE know a certain amount about Communist aims and Communist tactics by now. We have had 40 years to study them in Russia and four years to see how they look when they are imposed upon non-Russian peoples. We know that the chief aim of Communism is to establish a political system in which there is no other rival centre of power or loyalty.

It does not matter from what side the threat to exclusive Communist control may come. It has to be destroyed.

In Russia it came at one time from the "Old Guard"—the first leaders of Russia who later disagreed with the official Stalinist line. They were liquidated.

In Eastern Europe, it came for a time from the different political parties. They were swallowed up.

Independent trade unions have also offered some alternative principle of organisation and loyalty. They have been merged into the single Communist trade union system.

Even old adherents of the Communist Party like the ex-Prime Minister of Poland, Mr. Gomulka, has lost his position because he appeared to have some lingering loyalty to Poland as opposed to Communism.

Communism demands not only the physical disappearance of its rivals. It seeks to wipe out their memory from the minds of the masses.

It is not enough for non-Communist leaders to disappear. If they did, they might linger on as popular myths. No, they must be discredited as well as removed.

They must be convicted of every crime, particularly of the crime of "betraying the people." This need for vilification explains the long monotonous series of Communist trials inside and outside Russia in which the victims have first been made the target of a barrage of slanderous attack and have then in-

variably confessed to all the crimes of which they were accused.

Even Mr Gomulka could not give up the Premiership without confessing a long list of political errors and "deviations."

This is the background to the trial of Cardinal Mindszenty. By his mere existence in Soviet Hungary, the Cardinal has defied the first principle of Communism—exclusive loyalty to the Communist regime.

His loyalties extended further. He owed a first loyalty to God.

He owed a second loyalty to a vast international society, the Catholic Church, and to its members, the great majority of the citizens of Hungary.

What made his position intolerable was the Communists was his refusal to keep silent about these loyalties.

He saw that the Communist Government was steadily swallowing up every other body in the State—the trade unions, private business, the political parties. He fought all the harder to keep some independence for the Church.

In particular, he opposed the nationalisation of the schools, the banning and dissolution of all youth clubs and associations, and the refusal to permit a daily newspaper representing Catholic views.

The fight thus touched the fundamental issue: shall the State or shall parents mould and guide the mind of the young?

The Cardinal saw that once the mind of the children had been handed over to the Communist State, the next generation in Hungary would not only be enslaved, it would no longer even know the meaning of freedom.

Since the Cardinal could not be silenced, he had to be removed and— which is much more important—discredited. He himself knew that the attempt would be made. In his last hours as a free agent, he told his clergy to believe nothing that he should say, once he was imprisoned since all confessions would be due to "human frailty."

We do not know what methods were used—the Cardinal in his last speech spoke of "interrogations,"

C.V.R. Thompson Cake Sells The Joint

NEW YORK.

JUST a year ago housewives queued from 2 a.m. to buy meat from Mr Jack Kleiman, who runs New York's largest butcher's shop with 35 assistants.

His meat was a few pence cheaper than the 5s-a-lb. local butcher's and there was always plenty of it.

Now Mr Kleiman had queues back again—but for a different reason.

Like most businesses, Mr Kleiman's had been feeling the draught from the new American habit of dollar-pinching.

To attract customers who had switched from expensive meat to cheaper poultry and vegetarian dishes, he announced that anyone buying meat from him would get a free lunch of sandwiches, cake, and coffee.

His first customers were three dozen down-and-outs.

But it was not long before paying customers arrived, not only for a free lunch, but for meat cheaper in price than it was when controlled—and obtainable.

WHAT Mr KLEIMAN has done, of course, is to return to the wiles of good salesmanship. And suddenly nearly every business in America is having a shake-up of its sales staff.

Sales managers used to writing letters saying No, until the buyers' market returned, are being sent to school to relearn their jobs. Some firms are seeking their old sales staff and replacing them with more eager and more wily women.

RENO, which makes its living out of quick divorces, has just acquired a conscience. Under a Bill proposed by Don Crawford, a local politician, Reno's judges would no longer give out rubber-stamp divorces as soon as court fees have been collected.

First a judge would have to do his best to reconcile the parties. Suggested advice to couples: Divorce in haste, repent at leisure. A divorce does not erase the effects of marriage.

SCIENCE, through the hand of an electrician named Carl Schaeffer, has found a way of controlling a large family. With the arrival of his 10th child, Mr Schaeffer fitted but his 14-room St. Louis home with a public address system. Said he: "Now we'll be able to keep a tab on them."

PROTESTS against the second thoughts ban against Walter Gieseking, the German pianist (admitted for an American tour one day and thrown out of the country the next), filled the New York newspapers.

Some readers took the line that it is time for vindictiveness to end. Others blamed minority groups for forcing the Government decision by their "hate-mongering," and accuse those groups of practising the very intolerance which brought them into existence.

and we may imagine of what kind they were and how long they lasted—but we do know that the whole revolting mechanism of the Soviet propaganda trial had been set in motion.

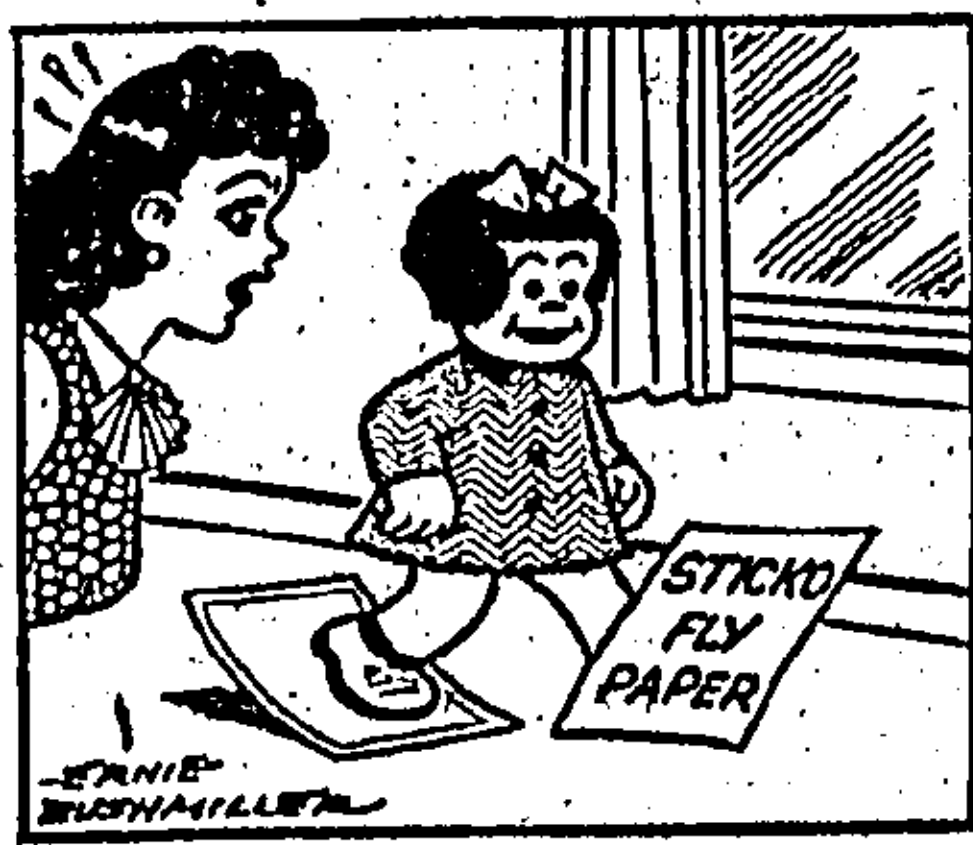
Before the Cardinal appeared in the carefully packed court, he had been attacked and slandered by every means at the Hungarian Government's disposal. When he appeared he was a bewildered man, ready, like all other Soviet victims, to confess whatever was laid to his charge.

The charges—dealing with the Western Powers at a time when, before the Peace Treaty, they were legally responsible for Hungary, failing to declare foreign currency to a Government which had already confiscated the Church's property—are essentially irrelevant.

The Cardinal was not removed because of them. His real crime was that he provided an alternative centre of leadership and loyalty to that of the Communist State and he was tried so that he might be personally discredited and his followers divided and demoralised.

The important verdict in this "trial" is not therefore the sentence passed on the Cardinal. It is the verdict which will be passed in the minds of freedom-loving people everywhere—not least in Hungary itself. Will they swallow the proceedings at their propaganda value? Or will they recognise the whole ignoble process for what it is—an attack not only upon religious freedom but on the fundamental rights of man?

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DEFENDANT ALLEGES VICTIMISATION BY PROSECUTION

An allegation that he was being victimised by the prosecution to satisfy the authorities because of the failure of the Dockyard engine theft case was made in cross-examination by Robert George Stewart, 28, clerk employed in the Cashier's Office in the Royal Naval Dockyard when his trial resumed before Mr Justice Wicks at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Accused said that when he was arrested on June 30 in connection with that case a relief had already been flown from England for him, and his relief actually arrived in Hongkong in August last year.

Accused, who was treasurer of the Royal Naval Dockyard Recreation Club from 1940 until July, 1948, faces four counts of larceny by clerk or servant, two counts of falsification of accounts with intent to defraud and four alternative counts of simple larceny, involving approximately \$18,000.

Mr. M. Heenan, Crown Counsel, assisted by ASP R. H. Woodhead, is prosecuting. Mr Percy Chen appears for accused under a scheme of the Bar Association to assist in the defence of poor prisoners.

The Jury comprises five men and two women.

Accused, who was cross-examined by Crown Counsel on Friday, was further questioned by Mr Heenan this morning.

It was correct to say, accused said in reply to a question, that Jaques (a former secretary of the DICI), was in the habit of borrowing money from him.

Accused agreed that Jaques in evidence had denied he owed accused \$100. He had, in fact, denied that a week after he (accused) had been charged with the engine theft case.

It did not surprise him that Jaques had had a current account with the Hongkong Bank since April, 1946, nor did it surprise him that the account had never been overdrawn, accused said.

Referring to the transfer of \$8,120 from fixed deposit account to current account, accused said he never knew when that happened. He had never received any statement from the bank regarding the transfer. He went to the bank to find out if they sent any notification regarding the transfer, but was given no information. It was his counsel who subsequently obtained the information.

Accused denied he arranged for the transfer or that to ensure the transaction should be concealed from the committee he took steps to ensure that any letter from the bank to the secretary should not reach Jaques.

Explaining an alteration of an entry deposit to the bank from \$1,000 to \$7,000 in his private record on April 26, 1948, accused said he was on that day expecting the bar steward to hand him the difference of \$6,000, which he never received. He denied the effect of the alteration was that he did not have to account to the auditors for the \$6,000, said accused, who added that he did not have to account for anything in his own private book.

FORGOT ALTERATION

Accused agreed that there was no bank record of an entry of \$1,000 shown in his private record as having been paid into the bank on May 10. The reason why the money was not paid into the bank that day as he originally intended, was because he did not get to the bank that day and he subsequently forgot to make an alteration in his private book. The money, he added, had in fact never been paid to the bank.

Mr Heenan referred accused to his statement to the Police in which, in reference to the two items, he had stated that on July 3, 1948, Wickham, the Cashier, had handed him the books over the club's books from accused. Accused had known there was a shortage of about \$10,500.36 in the cash account, as this was money he had taken and could not account for. In view of the shortage he had to alter the amounts in his bank balance book. He altered one figure shown as April 26, 1948, from \$1,000 to \$7,000 and on another account of \$4,100.03 which money he did not pay into the account.

Asked why the explanation he had given in Court was different to that given to the Police, accused said it was the same explanation. He said he had already explained to Crown Counsel regarding the two items earlier on.

Regarding the handing over of the club's books to Wickham, accused said it was a voluntary action on his part and that he was not required by anybody to do so.

Accused agreed that when he handed the books to Wickham he outlined his method of keeping the accounts.

Referring to five entries in the cash book which showed they had been paid, accused said there was no need for him to draw Wickham's attention to them, although in actual fact they had not been paid.

He added that the financial year of the club closed on May 31, 1948. He entered the five entries in question with the intention of closing the books on that date. When he gave the cash book to Wickham he had told him that he should only be concerned with entries as from June onwards and not of accounts of the previous year. He denied the suggestion that he did not draw Wickham's attention to the five entries was to conceal that fact from him.

ATTENDED RACES

Accused said he started to attend race meetings about 1940 when he arrived in Hongkong and that he had been going there up to the present time. He sometimes bet \$5 and sometimes \$10, and denied that his object in going to the races was to try to win money in order to repay

funds he had taken from the club's accounts.

Mr Heenan then referred accused to his statement to the Police which stated that at Christmas, 1947, accused owed \$2,800. He made efforts to pay this amount by going to the races, but as he continued to lose he had to take more money from the club's funds.

Mr Heenan: So it was as a result of your going to the races that you had resort to the club's funds?

Accused: No.

You agree that you owed this money to the club?—Yes.

Accused said the reason why he did not draw on his own bank in London for money which he required, but used the club's funds, was that it took a longer time for the money from his bank to arrive, while the club's funds were ready at hand. Both accounts, he said, were at his disposal.

Mr Heenan: You agree that the money in your bank belonged to you, but the money you held as treasurer did not belong to you?

Accused: It did. I was a member of the dockyard Club and the money belonged to the members.

How much you say belonged to you personally?—I could not tell you.

Do you say \$10,000 belonged to you?—I could not tell you.

How much flowers took, maybe more than \$10,000 belonged to me.

Is it your contention that you are being victimised by this prosecution in order to satisfy the authorities because of the failure of the engine theft case?—That's correct and I can prove it here and now.

Accused went on to say that he was arrested on June 30 and charged with the engine theft case. Normally he should have been transferred to another department in the Dockyard at such time as the result of the case had been known, but in this case a relief had been flown out from England for him and that relief arrived in Hongkong in August, 1948. That meant, he said, he had been reported to the Admiralty for the engine theft case, whereas the other person, Smith, was not reported.

Mr Heenan: So it is your case that the Commodore and all the responsible officers in the Dockyard have trumped up this charge against you in order to save their face with the Admiralty?

Accused: Not the Commodore, but the other people under him.

The trial is proceeding.

"Peace In Vietnam" Parade In Paris

Paris, Feb. 20.—Police detained about 20 people for questioning when they dispersed 30 young men and women, members of a left-wing organisation, who marched along the main boulevards of Paris tonight chanting "Peace in Vietnam."

The demonstration was held on the eve of the arrival here from the Riviera of Bao Dai, ex-Emperor of Annam, Indo-China, who has been having new talks recently with Government officials on the future of Indo-China, where the French are fighting a protracted campaign against the Vietminh nationalists.—Reuter.

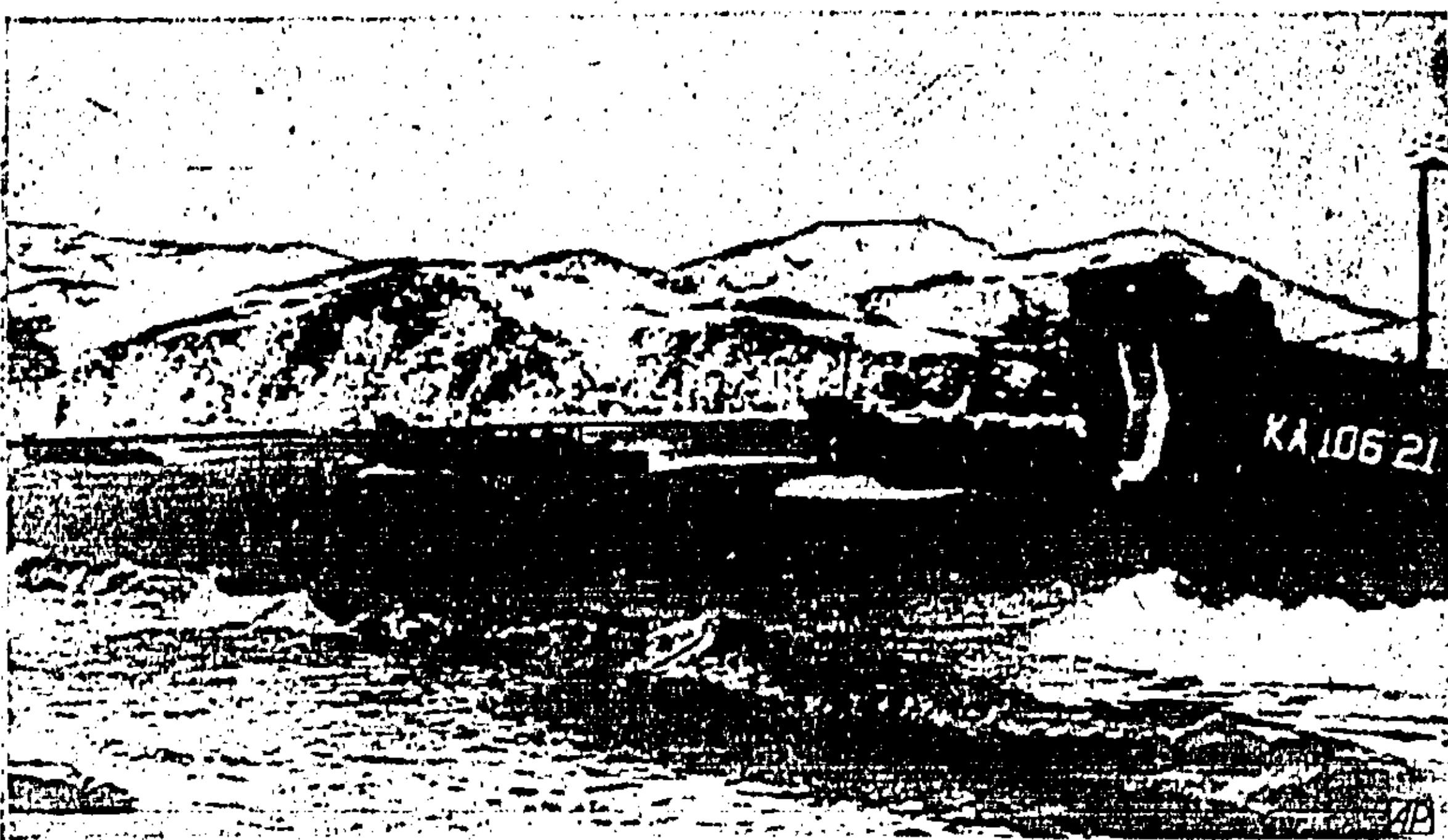
SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"No car, no dough, a big date, and it's snowing—you're okay if you're equal to this emergency, Dad!"

Task Force Landing Near Icy Beach



U.S. Navy landing craft near an icy beach at Portage bay to land U.S. Marines from Camp Pendleton, Calif., during Navy cold weather exercises at Kodiak, Alaska.—AP Picture.

Malayan War Dead Remembered

Singapore, Feb. 20.—Plaques dedicated to soldiers of the Gordon Highlanders and the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders who were killed during the campaign preceding the fall of Malaya in 1942 were unveiled in the Presbyterian Church here today by General Sir Neil Ritchie, Commander-in-Chief of the Far East Land Forces.

Killed Seaforth Highlanders mounted a Guard of Honour for Sir Neil. There were no ceremonies in Singapore yesterday to mark the anniversary of the fall of the city.—Reuter.

MOSCOW GOES TO THE POLLS

Moscow, Feb. 20.—Against a background of thousands of giant portraits of Lenin and Stalin and miles of red banners and bunting, the people of Moscow today went to the polls to elect 227 judges and 17,000 assessors for people's courts in the city and 430 judges and 45,000 assessors for the Moscow region.

Judges elected serve full time. The assessors are a part-time panel from which two members serve 10 days at a time with a judge.

Today's elections in Moscow and several other areas of the Soviet Union completed the legal elections throughout the country which began in December, and which are described here as the most democratic in the world.

They ended a Communist Party voting campaign in which 300,000 party members in Moscow alone have taken part in the past three months.

The aim of the campaign was to explain to the voters the significance of the courts as a powerful weapon in the building up of the Socialist State and to secure a 100 per cent vote.

Polling began at 6.00 a.m. today and was continuing until midnight. About 40 per cent of the judges and assessors to be elected are women. Soviet newspapers of Reuter that Soviet courts demonstrated the superiority of the Soviet legal system over bourgeois courts where democratic justice was unknown.—Reuter.

Story Of Daring NT Hold-up Told In Court

The dramatic story of a hold-up in a crowded motor bus along the Clear Water Bay Road on December 5 last year was told by Crown Counsel before Mr Justice Williams (Paine Judge) and a Jury at Criminal Sessions this morning, when Li Kuok-on, 24, appeared on trial on a charge of armed robbery.

Li was alleged, with another man not in custody, to have robbed Lung Hung-chong, conductor of motor bus No. 5680, of a canvas bag containing \$55 and approximately 1,000 unused bus tickets. He pleaded not guilty.

The Jury empanelled comprised three men and four women.

Mr A. Hooton (Crown Counsel), who appeared for the prosecution, assisted by Det. Sub-Inspector D. L. Davies, said that about 5.15 p.m. on December 5, the motor bus, a converted lorry, left Lung Kong Road with a number of passengers on board, and went up Clear Water Bay Road.—On the way, the conductor collected the fares and his total takings amounted to \$55.

When the bus reached the junction with the military road, a passenger who was sitting in the front behind the driver took a pistol from behind his jacket, broke the window of the driver's cabin and called upon him to stop, at the same time firing a shot in his direction.

The accused at this time was at the rear of the bus, and he was ordered by the armed man to keep away there. When the bus was on the military road, the driver stopped, jumped off and fled to raise the alarm.

In the meantime, the armed man turned around and covered the passengers with his gun, ordering them not to move. The accused took away the conductor's bag and then followed his companion off the bus. He handed the bag to the armed man and they both made off up the military road.

MET SHOOTING PARTY

Unfortunately for them, they met a party of five young Portuguese returning from a shooting expedition. The Portuguese—Messrs Sebastian Carvalho, Ernest Antonio, Edward Ronald Carmo, Albert Garcia and Frederick Edwards—noticed the men running and asked what the men running were doing.

With some presence of mind, the accused told them that there had been an armed robbery down the road, and the Portuguese, assuming the men were detectives, allowed them to pass.

However, they soon came upon the crowd round the bus, and discovered that the men who passed them were in fact the robbers themselves. They gave chase, although the accused and his companion were by then some 150 yards away. Being armed, some of the Portuguese opened fire on them, and eventually managed to capture the accused.—The other man escaped.

When he was taken back to the bus, the accused was identified by the passengers as the man who had taken the conductor's bag. The Police arrived soon after, and the accused was taken into custody. Corroborative evidence was given by the conductor and other prosecution witnesses.

The trial is proceeding.

Juryman Fined

Failing to answer his name when called to serve on a Jury in a trial at the Criminal Sessions before Mr Justice Williams this morning, Paul Cheung, typist, of Messrs Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., later appeared and told his Lordship that he had forgotten he was due for Jury service until a bailiff called on him. He was fined \$30, and warned to appear on time tomorrow morning.

Mr Walter Kentes

The condition of Mr Walter Kentes continues to show some improvement. It is expected that an X-ray will be carried out today.

Russian Composer To Visit US

New York, Feb. 19.—Dmitri Shostakovich, one of Russia's greatest living composers, will visit the United States for the first time in March, Dr Harlow Shapley, chairman of the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions, announced today.

Dr Shapley said that the Soviet Ambassador, Mr Alexander Panyushkin, had told him that the Russian composer would be delighted to attend the NCASP cultural and scientific conference for world peace here on March 25, 26 and 27.

Official Soviet permission for Shostakovich to attend the conference indicated that he had regained favour with the Central Committee of the Communist Party, which has chastised him several times in recent years because his works "smell strongly of the spirit of modern bourgeois music of Europe and America."

Shostakovich, 42, composer of nine symphonies, played around the world, twice publicly apologised to the Congress of Soviet composers for "bourgeois formalism" in his works, and said he knew how to make the proper corrections.

The NCASP refused to say whether it had invited other members of the "Big Three" of Soviet music, Sergei Prokofiev and Aram Khachaturian, who have been criticised by the Party for reflecting in their music "influences of the decadent bourgeois West."

The NCASP also announced that four other Russians would attend the conference here. They are A. I. Oparin, Acting Secretary of the Biological Sciences Section of the Academy of Sciences of the Soviet Union, which recently purged all scientists who believed in the "bourgeois heresies" of the Mendelian laws of heredity; S. A. Gerasimov, Soviet film producer; A. M. Adonyan, Secretary General of the Secretariat of Writers; and P. A. Pavlenko, Russian novelist who wrote the script for the Soviet film "Alexander Nevsky."—United Press.

Peace Delegates Not Here

The unofficial Chinese peace delegation led by Prof. Wu Yu-hao, which recently returned from Peking did not arrive from Canton, this morning, as was anticipated.

A large crowd, composed of Chinese officials and Chinese and foreign pressmen, gathered at Kai Tak airport to await the visitors. There is no indication whether the delegation will be coming by a later plane.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.01, "The Swiss Time" 6.30, Portuguese Half Hour (Studio); 7, World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 7.15, "The Adventure of Sherlock Holmes" by Jonathan Sli. (Studio); 7.30, Hospital Request Half Hour presented by Alan Dickson (Studio); 8.10, Linda Carter Talks on Films (Studio); 8.25, Interlude; 8.30, "I Like What I Like" Presented by Ruth Kirby (Studio); 9, Broadcast from the China Fleet Club of a Concert by the "Admiral's Band," conducted by Warrent Officer H. E. Wheeler. F.I.L. C.O. A.H.C.M.; 10, Radio News; 10.15, "Adventures of Sherlock Holmes" by Jonathan Sli. (Studio); 10.45, Music for Dancing; 11.15, Weather Report and Close Down.

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P.I. Air Force Expansion

Manila, Feb. 20.—President Quirino has approved a plan to expand the Philippine Air Force. In line with the recommendation of Maj General Albert Jones, chief of the United States military advisory group in the Philippines.

Mr Quirino said the Philippine defence machinery was being given "adequate attention" in view of the world situation, and said the Air Force deserved priority because of its importance in modern warfare. Meanwhile, Philippine Army planners had reportedly drafted a scheme to merge the Constabulary with the armed forces as one of its major commands.

The Constabulary operates as a national police force apart from the Army proper, the Air Force and the Naval Patrol. High Army officials were said to believe that the fusion of all armed services was necessary for more efficiency and economy.—United Press.

Stage Club Casting

The Hongkong Stage Club will hold a casting meeting at 8 o'clock tonight at the China Fleet Club in connection with their forthcoming production of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night". The play will be produced by Reinhold Obilias.

SATURDAY'S LEAGUE CRICKET

By "RECORDER"

RECREIO BEAT OPTIMISTS
IN THE LAST OVER

Recreio and Army are still running neck-and-neck for the First Division Cricket League Championship as a result of Saturday's games, but Recreio had a very narrow scrape of it against the Optimists at Chater Road.

An easy catch by Dr H. L. Ozorio at mid-on with two more balls to go before the match would have ended in a draw saved the day and, quite possibly, the Championship. Army, at Sookunpoo, had a bad moment with three wickets down for 18, four for 25 and five for 40. A stand from Dawe and Banton that brought on 48 for the sixth-wicket and another from Dawe and Stepto saved the day.

Recreio suffered a very odd collapse against the bowling of Mahon, Smith, Howard and Arthy. It can be said that Gerry Gosno, who knocked out 50, saved the day. At one stage Recreio, who had first lease of the wicket had 100 runs on the board for the loss of eight batsmen. A stand from Beltrame, Recreio's wicket-keeper, for 16, saved the day once more for Optimists, in their turn, knocked up 113, enough to win had Recreio's tail not wavered.

Then came steady bowling from Beltrame and Dr Gosno that accounted for all Optimists' wickets in 35.1 overs. It was, indeed, a narrow shave for Recreio.

NO GIANT-KILLING

There was no giant-killing at Sookunpoo, where both IRC and Craighower gave the opposition, Army and Scorpions respectively, a bit of a scare that didn't last too long.

Best Performances
In Saturday's
League Cricket

BATTING

G. N. Gosano (Recreio v. Optimists)	50
H. W. Franklin (Optimists v. Recreio)	53*
Major A. R. Dawe (Army v. Craighower)	51*
L. F. Stokes (Scorpions v. IRC)	48
D. Chelliah (University v. Navy)	47
A. R. Abbas (IRC v. Scorpions)	42
CPO L. White (Navy v. University)	31

BOWLING

J. C. Koh (University v. Navy) 7-10	
L. A. Stepto (Army v. Craighower) 7-29	
Cpl Hart (Navy v. University) 6-21	
F. Howarth (Scorpions v. IRC) 6-30	
A. P. Pereira (Recreio v. Optimists) 5-49	
Dr E. L. Gosano (Recreio v. Optimists) 4-32	

League Cricket Averages

BATTING :

	Innings	Not Out	Runs	Highest Score	Average
G. N. Gosano (Recreio)	13	2	470	122*	47.00
L. F. Stokes (Scorpions)	10	5	199	30*	39.80
H. W. Franklin (Optimists)	14	3	417	122*	37.90
A. M. Prata (Recreio)	12	3	281	56	31.22
Major A. R. Dawe (Army)	13	3	309	78	30.90
T. A. Pearce (Scorpions)	8	1	213	85	30.42
H. W. Franklin (Optimists)	12	6	107	53	27.83
W. M. Davidson (KCC)	12	3	248	49	27.55
G. A. Souza (Craighower)	13	1	322	85*	26.83
L. D. Kibbee (Scorpions)	14	4	238	79	26.44
Dr E. L. Gosano (Recreio)	13	4	238	64	24.84
N. R. Oliver (Optimists)	11	4	167	47	23.85
O. J. Kerr (Scorpions)	10	1	170	71	22.55
F. Howarth (Scorpions)	11	3	170	71	22.55
A/C J. S. Byrne (RAF)	12	2	185	48	20.55
A. R. Abbas (IRC)	11	1	100	48	19.00
D. H. Leach (Scorpions)	13	1	215	50*	17.91
M. M. Little (Optimists)	9	0	101	39	17.88
F/O M. D. Marshall (RAF)	11	0	100	63	17.27
F. R. Zimmern (KCC)	9	0	164	39	17.11
G. Hong Choy (Craighower)	11	2	152	29*	16.98
Gnr D. Banton (Army)	14	0	232	42	16.57
A. Zimmern (KCC)	10	0	213	60	16.38
N. Harbaker (KCC)	11	1	160	39	16.00
L. G. Gosano (Recreio)	12	0	187	47	15.58
D. Chelliah (University)	14	2	186	52*	15.50
Major C. R. Murray-Brown (Army)	14	2	186	52*	15.50

BOWLING :

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Gnr D. Banton (Army)	127.5	35	309	41	7.53
Cpl Hart (Royal Navy)	81	29	204	27	7.55
L/Cpl J. Jones (Army)	70.4	15	215	27	7.96
L. A. Stepto (Army)	110.2	25	306	36	8.50
T. A. Pearce (Scorpions)	65	5	221	20	8.50
A/C D. Graham (RAF)	69	19	208	23	9.04
Dr E. L. Gosano (Recreio)	163.3	40	357	39	9.15
J. C. Koh (University)	112.5	12	403	44	9.18
J. P. Pereira (Recreio)	209	45	604	60	10.06
G. N. Gosano (Recreio)	80.3	15	230	21	11.36
F. Howarth (Scorpions)	180.1	45	402	43	11.44
D. McLeish (Optimists)	75.1	6	270	23	11.73
CPO L. White (Royal Navy)	144.5	32	501	38	13.18
T. P. Mahon (Optimists)	94.5	10	306	22	13.90
A. L. Smith (University)	91	17	280	20	14.00
F/O E. N. Gambrell (RAF)	105.5	25	544	36	14.31
A. K. Ismail (IRC)	103.5	17	347	24	14.45
P. J. Billimoria (CCC)	194	32	605	45	15.04
R. E. Lee (KCC)	124.1	29	423	27	15.66
A. C. Arellano, Jr (IRC)	125.3	36	542	33	16.42
T. Crabtree (Craighower)	150	21	501	29	17.27
H. W. Franklin (Optimists)	92.4	5	340	20	17.45

Qualification: 150 runs for an average over 15.00.

Qualification: 20 wickets for an average under 20.00.

Had Craighower another dependable bowler, a different story might have been told about the match against Army. Even then, their batting produced only 47 runs and it seems as though the Valley club could do with another four passable batsmen as well.

Craighower's batting averages, outside of those of George Souza, G. Hong Choy (who is out of the game for the rest of the season), K. Y. Tam (who is no longer available), S. Ramchand, J. R. Iranejo and Tommy Crabtree, are well below 10.00.

HAT TRICK

IRC started very nicely on first lease of the wicket against Scorpions and were 80 for three when Frank Howarth started the collapse with a hat trick, his victims being A. K. Ismail, A. H. Suifad and S. H. Khan. The remaining batsmen, helped on by Abbas, added on another 28 runs.

Len Stokes was promoted in this game to opening bowler and his one for 36 in nine overs was good going against good IRC batting. J. D. Clague was also brought back to bowl after long retirement and improved his average from 5.50 a wicket to 5.00. His three victims included the IRC captain, A. R. Abbas, top-scorer for the Indians.

NOT OVERAWED

University, faced with a Royal Navy XI that, on paper, was the second strongest Navy turned out this season, were not overawed. Chelliah, back to cricket after two weeks out of it following a hard finger received in trying to hard catch against KCC, saved University's batting with a useful 47 and J. C. Koh was there later to take seven Navy wickets (including Hart, White, and Hershman) for 16 runs.

ODD FACTS

First League bowler to have turned in 200 overs of effort is Recreio's "Spotty" Pereira, who has now taken 60 wickets in League matches, 15 ahead of Craighower's P. J. Billimoria.

Dr E. L. Gosano, Frank Howarth, Tommy Crabtree and University's T. H. Lean and S. M. Teh are the

only other bowlers in the League who have now done duty for 150 overs.

If one picks a Hongkong XI from the players who played through a full League season on the basis of runs scored, wickets taken and catches held, we get them in the following batting order:

F. Stokes, L. D. Kibbee, G. N. Gosano, J. M. Gosano, N. R. Oliver, Major A. R. Dawe, F. Howarth, Gnr D. Banton, P. J. Billimoria, J. C. Koh and A. P. Pereira.

We will have to drop J. M. Gosano before the end of the season, because he isn't there any more, and substitute N. A. Beltrame.

It would be a good idea, for a close-of-season fixture, to play this team against the following, also in batting order:

T. A. Pearce, A. M. Prata, H. M. Newton, G. A. Souza, Dr E. L. Gosano, R. W. Franklin, H. W. Franklin, Cpl Hart, L. A. Stepto, Hughes, Cpl Hart, L. A. Stepto, L/Cpl J. Jones and F/O E. N. Gambrell.

It would make a better match than any of the Interparts of the last two years.

HOW THEY STAND

	P	W	D	L	Pts.
Recreio	15	10	3	2	43
Army	14	9	3	2	39
University	16	7	5	4	33
Scorpions	14	7	5	4	31
Optimists	15	6	5	4	20
KCC	13	4	4	5	20
IRC	13	3	3	7	15
RAF	10	2	4	4	12
Royal Navy	13	2	2	9	10
Craighower	13	1	2	10	0

SUNDAY CRICKET

Cambridge Lose

The annual cricket match between Oxford and Cambridge Universities played at Chater Road ground yesterday resulted in a win for Oxford by 14 runs. Oxford were unable to field a full team and were augmented by the Casuals.

CAMBRIDGE

J. Barrow, c. R. H. B. Graham	0
R. W. Franklin, lbw Graham	30
D. McLeish, c. Panton, b. Wales	10
M. Newton, b. R. H. B. Graham	26
R. H. B. Graham, b. R. H. B. Graham	44
D. S. Middleditch, b. R. H. B. Graham	22
J. J. Cowperthwaite, b. R. H. B. Graham	18
H. S. M. Hogg, st. b. R. H. B. Graham	3
A. D. Rees, not out	6
H. J. Crutwell, lbw R. H. B. Graham	7
C. G. Morrison, b. R. H. B. Graham	4
Extras	7
Total	107

	O	M	R	W
Graham	10	2	35	1
Wales	7	2	43	7
Ride	10	2	43	7
Panton	3	1	16	1

	O	M	R	W
G. T. Rowe, retired	77			
A. Graham, b. Barrow	10			
D. Panton, b. Barrow	10			
A. C. Gordon, b. Cowperthwaite	41			
A. Todd, run out	4			
T. R. Hogg, st. b. Franklin	4			
P. Enderby, b. Franklin	4			
W. Wilson, not out	4			
C. P. Tamworth, b. Barrow	1			
F. R. Cowperthwaite, b. Franklin	1			
C. D. Wales, lbw Morrison	1			
Extras	18			
Total	201			

	O	M	R	W
Franklin	12	2	50	2
Barrow	11	2	58	2
McLeish	9	2	28	1
Cowperthwaite	6	2	46	3
Morrison	12	2	3	2

	O	M	R	W
Franklin	12	2	50	2
Barrow	11	2	58	2
McLeish	9	2	28	1
Cowperthwaite	6	2	46	3
Morrison	12	2	3	2

BRIGHTENING UP CRICKET

London, Feb. 19.—Douglas Jardine, former England Test captain, suggested that a smaller ball would make for brighter cricket when speaking at a dinner here.

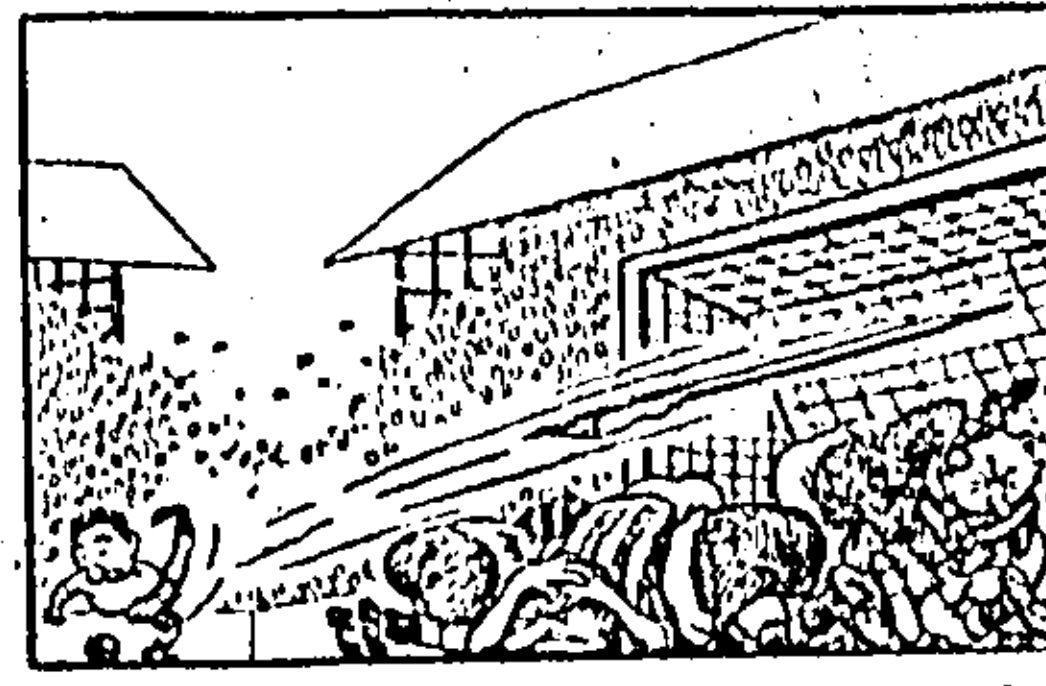
R. W. V. Robbins, also a former England captain, recommended recently that the width of the ball should be reduced to give bowlers a better chance of taking wickets.

Jardine, however, considers the aim of brighter cricket would be better served by making the ball smaller.

Declaring that bowling to-day was "poor stuff," Jardine said: "The answer is to make bowling easier, not batting more difficult. We want batting to be as attractive to the eye as possible, and I suggest that if you make the ball smaller you can make the bowler an artist again."—Reuter

SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



TONIGHT'S THOMAS CUP SEMI-FINAL

Malayans Expect Opposition
From Freeman & Loveday

By VERNON MORGAN

Glasgow, Feb. 20.—The handful of Malayans in this great city of over a million inhabitants are confident that they will win tomorrow night's Thomas Cup badminton match against the United States, and thus qualify to meet Denmark in the final.

Mr Lim Chuan-geek, the poker-faced manager of the shuttle wizards from the Far East, is greatly optimistic. "I think we shall win by at least seven to two and maybe make a clean nine-to-zero sweep, for I have every hope that both Wong Peng-soon, of Singapore, and Ooi Teik-hock, of Penang, will be the first men for 10 years to lower the colours of the American champion, Dr Dave Freeman."

All the Malayan players appear to feel that the match against the Americans is as good as theirs but they are not boastful. The Americans, too, have a quiet belief that the contest is by no means the "good thing" that their adversaries believe.

Americans are never happier than when they are the "under-dogs," and they are hopeful that the brilliance of the California doctor, blond 28-year old Freeman, will pull them through.

The Indian Thomas Cup badminton team now in this city to watch the match (they lost to Canada who in turn lost to the United States), feel that the confidence of the Malayans is not misplaced. Despite their old rivalry with the Malaysians, they expect to meet in the final, they hold the opinion that although the Americans beat the Canadians, their conquerors, they will not succeed against the Malayans.

Neutral experts from Scotland and Britain here for the match think that although everything points to a Malayan success, the unexpected may well happen in this game of badminton. But all agree that the answer to the problem rests with Freeman, the brilliant American champion who in 10 years has not only remained unbeaten in the United States but has only conceded one game to all comers.

MALAYANS FEAR FREEMAN

Freeman, from Pasadena, California is the only one of the America team that the Malayans seem to fear. There is complete confidence in the Malayan camp that they will win all four doubles but they are leaving the issue to be decided on the five singles.

Of these, the Malayans feel certain they will win at least three, which would give them a seven-to-two victory. The way they look at it is that even if Freeman is the wizard he is no match for the Malaysians both their brilliant players, Wong and Ooi, no other American will beat the other Malayans.

On the other hand, the Americans are not so sure that the doubles events are the certainties for the Malayans that they are reckoned to

TEST MATCH

Ceylon Face
Defeat

Colombo, Feb. 20.—With six second innings wickets to fall, Ceylon require 221 runs to avoid an innings defeat in the first Test match against the West Indies, which ends here tomorrow.

In the second day of the match, the West Indies declared at their overnight score of 462 for two wickets. Ceylon, in reply, made 122 and following on 340 runs behind had scored 119 for four wickets in their second innings by the close of play.

In the first innings, except for Wejeyesinghe and Heyn, who scored 28 and 22, respectively, the Ceylon batsmen failed to cope with an accurate attack and wickets fell at regular intervals.

Jones, who took four for 29, and Trim, with three for 27, were the best West Indies bowlers.

Ceylon lost their first three second innings wickets for 39 runs, but then came a fourth-wicket stand of 81, which improved matters.

Wholly slumps were drawn. M. Rodrigo had made 59, not out.

His opponents face not only the growing legend of Freeman invincibility, but the doctor's incredibly fast reflexes.

He is all over the court and rarely needs to use of power to get points. Instead he emphasises a clean overhead-mixed with cagoy wrist deception—to keep his foes continually on the move.

Married and father of two boys, the sandy-haired 100-pound hospital pathologist from San Diego, Cal., has a manglepiece weighted with trophies.

He first hit the championship US lawn tennis singles title in bracket when he won the junior 1937.

That year he also teamed with present Davis cupper Ted Schroeder to win the doubles event.

He has shared badminton doubles titles since 1940 and shared

THE PROGRAMME

Four matches will be played tomorrow night and five on Tuesday. The contest will be still alive for the second. Play will start at 7.00 p.m. GMT and will be the best of three 15-point games.

Both the Malayan manager, Mr Lim Chuan-geek, and the American, Ken Davidson, are well pleased with the draw which results in the following order of play:

Monday
First match—Wong Peng-soon versus Mendez
Second match—Ooi Teik-hock versus Freeman

Wednesday
Third match—Yeoh Teck-chye and Chan Kon-leong versus Williams and Stephens
Fourth match—Ooi Teik-hock and Yeoh Seng-khoon versus Freeman and Rogers

Tuesday
First match—Wong Peng-soon v. Freeman
Second match—Ooi Teik-hock v. Mendez
Third match—Law Teik-hock v. Carl-Loveday
Fourth match—Yeoh Teck-chye and Chan Kon-leong v. Freeman and Rogers
Fifth match—Ooi Teik-hock and Yeoh Seng-khoon v. Williams and Stephens

The umpires will be British as will the referee. The draw was completely fortuitous. Each manager selected his six men and the names went into two hats, the players being taken out in turn. The doubles players were, of course, paired before their names entered the hat.

TREMENDOUS ENTHUSIASM
The enthusiasm amongst British badminton fans is tremendous. The whole seating of the Kelvin Hall, in the centre of the Scottish capital, was sold out months ago although it holds 2,700 spectators, which is big for Britain.

The tickets first offered to badminton clubs were quickly snapped up and the general public has not had a chance of buying any. Both managers are delighted with the Hall, and describe it as the finest they have seen in Britain.

The United States team manager, Ken Davidson, a former Scottish international badminton player and a Yorkshire cricketer (he challenged Len Hutton for a place in the county side before the war) thought the floor, which is made of composition instead of wood, might be a little hard but it would be the same for both sides. Both teams have been training hard and in secret and keeping their training matches away from prying eyes.

The whole badminton world will be watching with the keenest interest the fortunes of the two teams, Sir George Thomas, the donor of the trophy, will be present at both ties and will present his handsome silver gilt trophy to the winners.—Reuter

Malayans' No. 1 Opponent—
A MAN WHO HASN'T LOST
A MATCH IN TEN YEARS

By BENSON SRERE

Los Angeles, Feb. 20.—Dr Dave Freeman, badminton champion of America, has not lost a single match in ten years, and doesn't think he will lose one in the next ten years, either.

Freeman, a specialist in nerve surgery, has won six straight USA national badminton singles titles, and experts agree that he probably would have had four more titles if the tournament had been held during the war.

Such lengthy domination of the sport has given Dr Freeman superlative confidence on the court and, conversely, has been a psychological handicap to opponents.

Occasionally, when an opponent leads Dr Freeman in a match the spectators almost can see the surprise and shock of the player when he suddenly realises he may beat the apparently invincible Freeman, and the consequent "lightening" of the opponent.

FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

LESSON HAND

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Here's A Guide For Point-Count Bidding

By WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

I AM interrupting the series of articles dealing with the controversy about the point-count system of bidding, to remind players that many in the tournament would be using a point-count system, especially for no trumps. Therefore, I want to give you a quick review of what the majority will be using.

They count an ace 4 points, a king 3, a queen 2 and a jack 1. The

♠ Q82 (2)	♥ 1076
♦ Q3 (2)	♠ A972
♣ Q1064 (2)	♥ 953
♠ 753 (2)	♦ A98
♠ J94	♠ A53 (7)
♥ 10854	♥ KJ8 (4)
♦ A78	♠ K72 (3)
♣ 1062	♠ KJ4 (3)
	♠ A10 (10)

Lesson Hand—Neither vul.
South ♠ West North East
1 N.T. Pass 2 N.T. Pass
3 N.T. Pass Pass Pass
Opening—♥ 4

fifth and sixth cards of a suit count 1 point each.

Sixteen to 18 points are required for an opening bid of one no trump. For an opening bid of two no trump, 22 to 24 points are required, while an original bid of three no trump shows 25 to 26 points. According to the point-count system, 26 points in the combined partnership hands will produce a game.

The supporting hand, with a count of 8 or 9 points, should bid two no trump over an opening one no trump bid; with a count of 10 to 14 points, he should jump to three no trump.

As I said above, 26 points is expected to produce a game. With 34 points in the combined hands, a small slam should be bid, while 36 points is expected to produce a grand slam.

One of the most important things to remember in the point-count system is that if you have a count of 10 to 18 with three suits stopped and a balanced hand, it is better to open the bidding with one no trump instead of a suit bid. That is why the dealer in today's hand opens with one no trump rather than one spade.

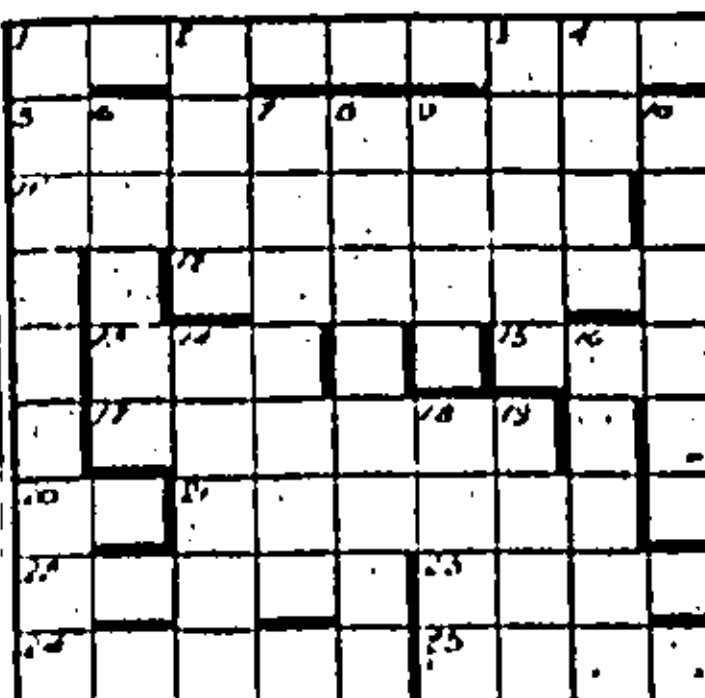
North has a minimum count of 8, and bids two no trump. If South had a minimum count of 10, he would pass the two no trump bid, because he would know that North had a count of only 8 or 9. Having a count of 10, however, South is justified in going to three no trump.

Check Your Knowledge

1. Name three breeds of dogs that are named for parts of the British Isles.
2. Is Bermuda part of the West Indies?
3. What's the difference between homily and hominy?
4. What is the most important commandment of Buddhism?
5. Why are canaries used in coal mines?
6. Are Puerto Ricans citizens of the United States?

(Answers in Column 3)

CROSSWORD



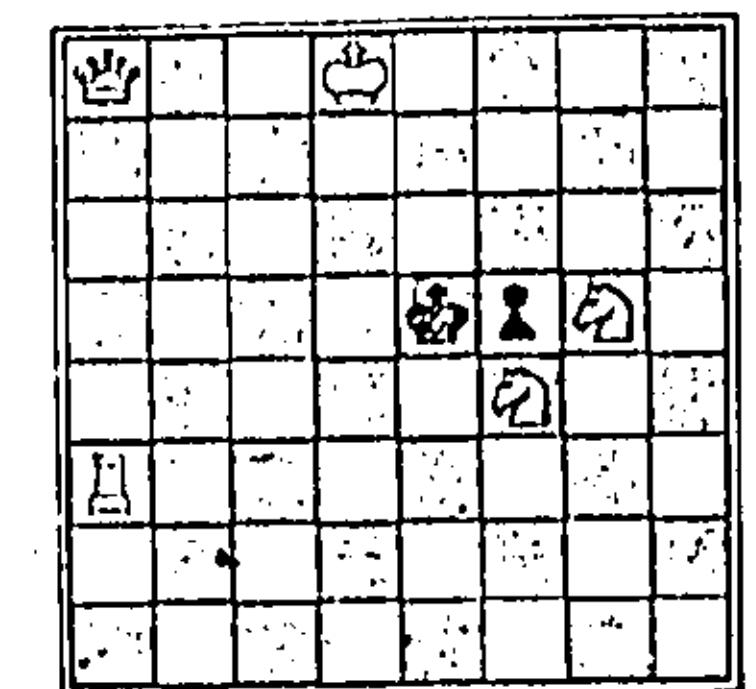
- Across—
1. Artificial insect used when dancing (6-3)
2. To suit the first of this kind (6-4)
11. Outlook that is anything but pessimistic (8)
12. Degraded (7)
13. Sleep or doze (4)
14. See 3 Down (4)
15. After this for dust (12)
16. Eighteenth-century architecture (10)
17. A particularly tricky (8)
18. Only sounds as though you need some dough (6)
19. Japanese musical instrument that doesn't tell you who received the knock-out (4)
20. A stone that provides you a shiner (4-6)
21. Musical instrument (10)
22. A ditch on each side (6-3)
23. Imperfect (6)
24. Words that were reputed to give access to riches (4-6)
25. Brownish mud or brown ground (7)
26. Clutched (10)
27. It shows a decided leaning (6)
28. Put in good order (4, 2)
29. A (6)
30. Rejoice (10)
- Down—
1. English setter, Irish setter and Scottie (4)
2. No. 1 lies farther north in the Atlantic Ocean, just about opposite North Carolina (3)
3. The first is a discourse, sermon; the second, a bullheaded mixed with water and boiled (4)
4. Thou shalt not destroy life in any form (5)
5. To detect gas (6-4)

DUMB BELLS



CHess PROBLEM

By G. B. SPENCER
Black, 2 pieces.



White to play and mate in two.

Solution to Saturday's problem:
1. B-Q4. 1... K-Q7; 2. R-K3; 1... K-K5; 2. R-B2.

BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Cricket Stayed Up All Night

—And He Had Lots of Company, Too—

By MAX TRELL

"YOU needn't think," Christopher Cricket was saying to Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, "that I'm the only one who stays up all night. There are quite a lot of people who stay awake after the house is dark and mother and father and the children are fast asleep. It's a mistake to think that everyone goes to sleep at night."

Christopher Cricket was sitting on the edge of the fireplace, leaning back against the coal-scuttle, with his banyo on his knee. But he wasn't playing any songs now.

Knarf wanted to know who were those who stayed awake while everyone else in the house was fast asleep.

All Stay Awake

"Well," answered Christopher, "Back Door and Front Door and Windows all stay awake. The windows are busy letting the air in and out of the house. If the wind blows too hard and sends the curtains flying, the Windows set up a rattling, as much as to say: 'Wind is blowing with all his might! Hurry! Hurry! Shut us tight!'"

"And as for Back Door and Front Door," Christopher went on, "they don't sleep a wink. If you listen carefully (as I do), you can hear them saying:

Ring the bell
Shake the knob,
We won't let you in
This house to rob!

Rupert's Elf Bell—16



The Autumn Elf gets so agitated that Rupert stares at him in concern. "Isn't there any way that we can help you?" he asks. The elf stares back solemnly. "I wonder if you could?" he murmurs. "It's like this: We must have lots more elves to mend the damage down below. None of us can leave our posts to go and fetch them, or the task would get so bad that your village would be lost in fog all the winter. Yes, there's no other way out of it. You shall help us!" He bounds away and the two pals follow.

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AROUND THE WORLD:

The Tiny Island of Tobago

By TEMPLE MANNING

TO many people Winter means sunny skies, turquoise blue water, sun and frolic at fresco, but without much of the going-on that are part and parcel of so many winter resorts. These people are devotees of the islands of the West Indies, and usually it is just one island that holds their devotion, and one of the smaller, lesser-known islands at that.

Cruises to the West Indies offer a good look-see at several of the islands, and then, after that, there is usually a sojourn at one or another of these delightful Caribbean resorts, and then the choice narrows down to one. Anyhow, such was the experience of a group of shipboard acquaintances who, last year, pooled their resources and have built a charming group of little villas on Tobago—and a nicer spot could not have been selected.

Small Island

Tobago is a small island and a somewhat inaccessible one, too, which is all to the good for those out for a real rest. It is about twenty miles to the northeast of Port of Spain, the main port of Trinidad, and there is both plane and boat service between the two places. The island is some 27 miles long and is less than seven miles at its widest point, but every yard of it is charming. Rugged mountains stand sentinel over delightful valleys, green and fertile. There are forests, flowers, palm-fringed hills, tropical growth, fantastic birds, lovely beaches and wonderful views everywhere.

A bus trip soon confirms all these delights and more. One such trip, between Scarborough and Man-of-War Bay, a 25-mile run, offers a



Palm trees, Little Tobago.

good introduction to Tobago. The bus follows a narrow old French military road that was carved out of rock, with a sheer rise of cliffs to one side, and on the other side, a precipitous drop to the water below. After this exciting introduction the bus ambles through a sea-level coconut plantation, Jordan the shallow King's Bay, River, and then climbs steadily through cocoa plantations until it reaches a spot that is 837 feet above sea level, from which point Trinidad can be clearly discerned.

As the vehicle descends there are glimpses of the beautifully shaped Half-Moon Bay at Speyside, with the string of tiny islands across its mouth. These islands are interesting—some of them, such as Little Tobago, having been set aside as bird sanctuaries. Thousands of government-protected birds of paradise make Little Tobago their home, except for New Guinea, where these glorious birds are indigenous. Little Tobago is the only spot we know of where the birds live safely in their wild state.

After one has been in Tobago a while, it is usually possible to arrange a visit to the island, which is also home to thousands of varieties of colorful and rare birds. For this reason, only a few humans are permitted to visit the sanctuary at a time. As for diversions, there are few at Tobago beyond bathing, beach-lolling, picnicking, riding, hiking, and just being pleasantly lazy. There are numerous trails, valleys, mountain ledges, riding and walking paths, all of which are perfectly beautiful. There is comparatively little to do so far as actual sightseeing goes, save for the old French and Dutch fortification ruins that tell of Tobago's exciting past.

(Tomorrow—Science At Work.)

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

IT has been suggested that acrobats would do better in ballet than dancers. In a sense that is true.

Acrobats make funny faces and cry "Hup!" whereas dancers are strangled with self-consciousness, and may only ring the changes on a few facial expressions, such as the ecstatic, the terrified, the angry, the pleading. Again, the acrobat has an extensive vocabulary of leaps and bounds and tumblings, whereas the ballet artist presents only makes use of a set of stereotyped movements and positions. How sick everybody must be of that moment when the man seizes the girl by the waist, standing behind her while—she, on tiptoe thrusts out one leg backwards, and leans her whole head and body forwards, like a horse after a bucket of oats.

The spinach controversy

DEAR Sir, If it were really important, as a cultural effort, to make a model of Greenwich Observatory in spinach, you may be sure that the British Council, the Arts Council, Unesco, and the Friends of the World would have made a more drastic use of the idea. But we are to tell the Balkan democracies that this is the English way of life?

Yrs. in anger,
Blossom Toplady.

Clearing it up

ASKED to reveal certain figures, C. Suet, Esq., said, "I am not in a position to say anything, except that these figures have already been about to be published, so the question does not arise. Asked why the figures were secret, Suet said, 'There can be no question of secrecy when once these figures are published, which I cannot guarantee at present, having regard to the circumstances.' Asked what he meant, Suet flushed and said angrily, 'There is no question of what I do or do not mean. It is what I say that matters.'

Wearing a bowler?

SCIENCE encourages the adventurous to fly to other planets by saying that uranium might be discovered on some of them, and we could then be assured of plenty of atom bombs. But there is a catch in it. Professor Stapledon says that to exist on any other planet man would have to develop four legs, a trunk with hands on it instead of a nose, a head in the middle of his back, and projecting eyes. 'This would not be easy,' commented Professor Owlgrass.

YOUR BIRTHDAY..... By STELLA

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21

BORN today you have a decidedly two-sided nature. You are intellectual and serious and yet there are times when you appear quite happy and brainless. This, perhaps, is applied more to you girls than to you men, for you have attractive personalities and are inclined to minimise your brains for personal charm. Don't do this. For a brainy, beautiful woman is a combination that can go far in this world.

Your emotional life is unusual in that you may appear to be quite unconcerned about those of the opposite sex. But once you fall in love, it is head over heels—and the world knows about it. An early marriage to a "first love"

would probably bring you the greatest happiness.

You men need to study your own natures carefully and make the best use of your versatile talents. Only in this way, can you achieve the goal which should be yours by right of birth. But if you neglect to cultivate all your talents, along toward middle age you will regret those lost opportunities.

Being very critical, you must avoid becoming merely fault-finding. The chances are you are usually right—but learn to be constructive in all your thinking.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your love, and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—An erratic day, so stabilise your plans and be sure you know where you are going before you start.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—You can start some new business venture today if you want for Look for—and maybe get—that new job.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Emotionalism needs to be curbed. Beware of the complications of a romantic triangle just now, too.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—A slowed-up day. If you have to take a trip, there are likely to be some complications involved.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Be a trifle more progressive if you want to. Be cautious, but look forward.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Be alert to upsets. An especially hazardous day for elderly persons. Be on your guard against accident.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—A sudden, and even unexpected event, may have repercussions on your entire future life. Be ready to meet it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Carry on yesterday's good ventures, but when afternoon comes, be more cautious and move more slowly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Potentialities are better than average, but they can be upset by accident. Be on your guard.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Emotional upsets can have a poor effect on all your ventures, so keep your self-control.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Don't travel unless you must. Accidents are in the air. Guard against being the victim of one.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Definitely an unreliable day for both business and personal matters. Be calm in any crisis.

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

Morrison Forecasts Big British Production Increase

Stroud, Feb. 19.—The Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Herbert Morrison, today warned Britain that the industries of Germany and Japan are beginning to revive "and their products will have to be counted as rivals from 1949 onwards."

Outlining British plans for industry and agriculture, Mr Morrison told the Labour Party Rally that in 1949 British farmers are to grow fifty percent more wheat than in 1948.

HONGKONG "A RIPE PLUM" FOR COMMUNISTS

Newspaper Calls For Far Eastern Security

London, Feb. 20.—The economy of Britain and the Empire "is hanging on the courage and resolution of 2,000 men—the white rubber planters and tin miners of Malaya," the Sunday Express declared today.

"Between them, and helped by the small producers, they earned more dollars last year for the Empire pool than all of Britain's export industries put together," it said in an editorial. "But these men are reaching the limits of human fortitude. The terrorist odds against them had become almost too heavy. The Communist victories in China had struck at their morale, it added.

"If they give way, not only will dollars-eating tin and rubber be lost to Britain, but Malaya itself will be plunged into anarchy and chaos." The Express called for an immediate speed-up in the security of Malaya and other British Far Eastern territories to save "much future heart ache."

It was too late to cast the blame for the "tragedy of Malaya," the Express said, recalling that Mr Malcolm MacDonald, the Commissioner General in South East Asia, had conferred with Governors in neighbouring British territories, it asked: "May we assume that the mistakes made in Malaya will be avoided, especially the neglect of advice from men on the spot and the foolish lessening of security safeguards?"

Discussing the implications of the situation in Malaya, the editorial said: "Hongkong will be a ripe plum for the Communists to pluck at their leisure. North Borneo, Sarawak and Brunei will be wide open to them. These countries offer the same opportunities to Communist terrorism as Malaya—an inert mass of Chinese settlers, wild jungle and scattered white communities. The production of their coal, oil and tropical produce would be lost for ever."

"Basically, the same error has been responsible for most of the colonial empire's troubles since the war—an attempt to foist democracy on people unready for such a test. When one recalls the millions squandered in the sterile pursuit of it is too much to ask that some of our strength and resources be devoted to Malaya?"

"In other Far Eastern colonies, security measures must be built up now and not postponed until disaster looms. Have Australia, New Zealand, India, Pakistan and Ceylon been asked to co-operate to the full? Or are we quibbling over prestige and racial pride while 2,000 tired men hold desperately a thin line?"

"We should certainly have one resolution, Malaya must not become another Burma,"—Reuter.

Britain To Study US Industries

London, Feb. 20.—A British steel industry team will leave for the United States on March 9 to study American production methods.

It will be the first of a series of groups of British industrialists and trade unionists to go to the U.S. under a plan for improving production methods.

A non-Government organisation of British and American industrial and trade union leaders, the Anglo-American Productivity Council, is sponsoring the scheme.

After returning to London in May, the team will spend several weeks imparting its observations to British industries.—Associated Press.

Change Reopens At Shanghai

Shanghai, Feb. 21.—The Chinese stock exchange, which has been closed for seven months, will resume business this morning with 20 stocks listed for initial transactions, it was reported.

Workmen pulled all day yesterday repairing and re-installing dining machines at the exchange.—Reuter.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

Sterling pound note (per £1)	12.20
US dollar (per \$1)	2.20
Gold bar (per 100)	300.00
7FC piastres (per 100)	2.00
200 guilders (per 100)	21.50
Gold yuan (per yuan)	0.025

He also called for an increase in the number of cattle and sheep and for feeding stuffs for them, as well as an increase in pigs and poultry.

"We are going to raise our output of sugar beet even beyond the record output of last year," he said. Mr Morrison added: "We are going to increase our supplies of textiles for clothing during 1949. We hope to produce 2,100,000,000 yards of cotton cloth, compared with 1,900,000,000 in 1948 and, although we plan to increase our exports to 1,000,000,000 yards, this will leave us with 1,100,000,000 yards to put into our own stores."

He said that Britain was exporting oil, coal, machinery, vehicles, and textiles and receiving in exchange iron ore from Sweden, dairy produce from Denmark and the Netherlands, fruit and vegetables from Italy.

With German and Japanese production beginning to compete, and the United States exporting to many markets where American goods were seldom seen before the war, British prices must be kept down in order to hold their markets. He said that the way to do this was by higher productivity.—United Press.

China Still Waits For New Economy

Shanghai, Feb. 21.—Nationalist China will have to wait at least another week for the eagerly awaited economic reform measures formulated by the Finance Minister, Mr Hsu Kan, which were originally expected to be promulgated today, according to competent economic circles here.

The new plans, though reported to have been already approved by Acting President Li Tsung-jen, will still have to be passed by the Executive Yuan in Canton, which may do so next Wednesday. Among the thorny issues of the economic plan, it is believed, is the problem of legalising silver dollar transactions by pegging official quotations, multiplied by the Finance Minister, Mr Hsu Kan, which were originally expected to be promulgated today, according to competent economic circles here.

These technical aspects of the new economic policy among others, were believed to have been holding up the promulgation of the new measures.—Reuter.

HONGKONG SHARES

This morning's turnover on the Stock Exchange was \$93,520. Transactions and non prior sales.

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS
INDUSTRIAL	350	370
DOCK	250	200
N. P. Wharf	7	
Dock	250	
Provident	110	
Shai Dock	110	
LAND, ETC.		
HIC Hotel	15.40	100 @ 15.40 500 @ 15.40 1500 @ 15.15
HIC Land	3.00	0715
Shai Land	3.00	330
Humphreys (G)	14.20	500 @ 14.30
UTILITIES		
Tram	100 @ 10.80	
C. Light (H)	14.70	15 500 @ 14.80
Electric (H)	10.10	30 500 @ 11
Telephone	30 500 @ 33	
INDUSTRIAL (KD)	30 500 @ 33	
STONES, ETC.		
Daily (G)	43	
Daily (New)	43 435	
Watson (KD)	53	
Lane Crawford	22	
LANE CRAWFORD	22	
COTTONS		
Ewa	11	

OUTWARD MAILS

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Closing Times By Air
Shanghai, Hankow, Taichang, Kuning, Luchow, Suifu, Amoy, Taipei, and Foochow 3.30 p.m.
Saigon and Paris 9 p.m.
Canton Times By Sea
USA, Central and South America via San Francisco 3 p.m.
Siam, Ceylon, Rangoon, Bombay, and Java 1 p.m.
Japan 2 p.m.
Shanghai 3 p.m.
Swatow and Amoy Noon
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22
Canton Times By Air
Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrain, Alexandria, (Nairobi, Johannesburg and Dar-es-Salaam), London, Rome and London (CPO) 4.30 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m.
Manila, Hongkong, USA and Canada 9 p.m.
Air Parcel Post for Manila, Honolulu and USA (CPO) 4.30 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m.
Ordinary Airmail (Printed Matter, Samples and Small Parcel Posts) for Manila, Kuala Lumpur, and USA (CPO) 4.30 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m.

BRONCHO BILL

Happy in the Saddle

By Harry F. O'Neill



120 SHIPS TO TAKE PART IN WAR GAMES

U.S. Navy Conducting Biggest Ever Manoeuvres

Washington, Feb. 20.—The Navy today announced the start of the biggest peacetime war manoeuvres in history, featuring for the first time the use of a simulated atom bomb attack. The games, which are to take place in the Caribbean, will involve 120 ships, several hundred planes and 35,000 men from the Navy, Army, Marine Corps and the Canadian Army.

The major warships, including the huge new aircraft carrier, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and the battleship, Missouri, are to leave East Coast ports today to begin the exercises, which will open tomorrow and last until March 19.

The Navy said, "These exercises will be the largest and most extensive peacetime manoeuvres ever held." The major "operation" will be an assault on Vieques Island off Puerto Rico. It will be assumed to be part of the "American-Eurasian landmass, an enemy area heavily fortified and held by a substantial number of troops."

Calwell Defends His Policy

"White Australia"

Melbourne, Feb. 20.—The only people who want to water down the "White Australia" policy are graziers, extremists of the right and left, and "silly sentimentalists," Mr. Arthur Calwell, the Australian Immigration Minister, said in a broadcast here today.

"These people do not want to help Australia or Asia," he said. "They want to return to the good old days of Kanaka labour that are fast forgotten." (The Kanakas were low-pay labourers recruited from Pacific Islands for the Queensland sugar plantations about the year 1830).

"The fact is that only Asiatics who are political agitators are interested in our immigration policy," Mr. Calwell added. He said the "ordinary Asiatic" did not want to come to Australia and if he did he would not have any desire "to mingle his blood with ours."

"We are eager to meet our obligation to help the people of Asia raise their own standards of living, but we would not be helping the Asiatic nations if we took 20 or 30 or even 40,000 people from their teeming millions. If we took from one part of Asia we would have to take from another. Before long, Australia would become an Eurasian nation, with its coloured people no better off than in their native lands, and its white people reduced to poverty except for the ruthless few," Mr. Calwell said.

Grenade Explosion Injures Nine

Peiping, Feb. 20.—(Delayed)—All members of the nine-man delegation of farmers around the city's West Field were injured in a hand grenade explosion in Peiping on Saturday the official Jen Min Jih Pao reported. All were sent to hospital.

The paper said the grenade exploded in the midst of the group as they were presenting a captured Nationalist flag to the Communist authorities in appreciation for what the liberation army had done for them.

The paper declared the grenade thrower was presumably a Kuomintang secret service man.—Associated Press.



"Do you mind throwing me out by the Fitzroy Street door? I happen to be going that way."

The manoeuvres will provide a chance to test the latest American anti-submarine devices as well as the effectiveness of Navy jet fighter planes which will operate for the first time from aircraft carriers.

The announcement did not say how or where the simulated atomic bomb operation would take place. It said only that it would be used as an "offensive weapon" and that the mock bombing would be accomplished by "simulated guided missile attacks."

Admiral W. H. P. Blandy, Commander-in-Chief of the Atlantic Command and the United States Atlantic Fleet will be in overall command.

THE OPERATION

Here is the way the Navy outlines its operation:

The first phase consists of warships—six guppy-snorkel-type and eight standard fleet submarines will engage the striking force on its way to protect landing at Vieques Island. The striking force will be protected by land-based aircraft and Hunter-killer type anti-submarine ships. The Navy said, "This phase was planned primarily to put the latest anti-submarine methods and devices against modern submarine crews."

Next comes the main part of the mock battle, the landing on Vieques. A joint expeditionary force of American and Canadian soldiers supported by ships and planes will attack Vieques on "D-day, March 2." The island will be defended by 330 United States Army officers and men. Together with their "mechanical devices" they are supposed to be equivalent to 6,000 enemy troops.

SECOND TASK FLEET

The Second Task Fleet will aid in the attack with 57 ships, 14 land-based plane squadrons, 16 carrier-based squadrons, a helper group and several blimps.

Prior to the assault an advanced force is slated to pave the way with underwater demolition teams, removing beach obstacles. Following the "capture" of Vieques in three days, according to plan, there will be another submarine battle in the "fall phase" and on March 15, carrier-based planes will make an air attack on the United States Naval base at Guantanamo, Cuba. This also will include anti-aircraft firing at radio-controlled target planes and special torpedo firing at high speed tow targets.—United Press.

AIRLIFT RESUMES

Berlin, Feb. 20.—After being fog-bound for 42 hours, the Anglo-American airlift to Berlin resumed full-scale flying today. A Royal Air Force spokesman said that the first plane to break the suspension landed at Gatow Airport, in the British sector of Berlin, shortly after noon. Others came in irregularly for a time, but then radar-aided landings were made at the rate of one every three minutes.—Reuter.



Indicted in Sofia by the Communist-led Bulgaria government on charges of acting as spies for the United States and Britain were (left to right): Bishop Paul Garber, former dean of the divinity school at Duke University and Methodist Bishop representing 11 European nations of the United Evangelical Church; Cyril Black, Professor of history at Princeton, and Dr. J. Hutchinson Cockburn, director of reconstruction and history at the World Council of Churches and former moderator of the Church of Scotland.—AP Picture.

Mindszenty Persecutors Condemned By Pope

PACKED ST PETER'S SQUARE HEARS FORTHRIGHT SPEECH

Vatican City, Feb. 20.—A crowd of 250,000, thronging St Peter's Square, today heard Pope Pius XII compare those responsible for the condemnation of Cardinal Mindszenty to the persecutors of ancient Rome.

The Pope, speaking in Italian from the central balcony of St Peter's, said the sentence, on the Cardinal was an incident in a chain of acts directed against the doctrine of the Christian Church.

"OKLAHOMA" HAS A RECORD RUN

London, Feb. 20.—The London version of the musical sensation "Oklahoma," with its practically all-American cast of 50, has a date to celebrate next Thursday night.

The show will then have played its 882nd performance at Drury Lane, thereby breaking a record for long runs at that huge and historic theatre.

Up to now, Oklahoma has been seen by some 2,000,000 people and has taken £845,000 at the box office and pays £214,000 in entertainment tax.

LIKELY SUCCESSOR

Another Broadway favourite, "Carousel," is regarded as the most likely successor to Oklahoma. The Drury Lane management foresees no end of the latter's popularity. Second U.S. smash hit is "Annie Get Your Gun" with two American stars and British support, which will be two years old in London in June. Its takings are well over £500,000.

The all time record for the longest running show in any London theatre is held by the Oscar Asche musical piece of the first world war fame, "Chu Chin Chow," with 2,238 performances. Second place honours go to Noel Coward's comedy "By Your Side," second world war hit which ran for 1,007 performances.—Associated Press.

Brighter Peace Prospects

Richmond, Feb. 20.—The prospects for world peace are brighter today than a year ago, Mr. Albert Barkley, United States Vice-President, said here last night. In a speech to a Democratic Party rally, Mr. Barkley said this was in spite of discouragements, drawbacks, handicaps and "the intransigent attitude of the enemies of democracy."

"The United States as a leader of the nations of the world should maintain a strong military defence and a strong economic structure which will give force and validity to all our proclamations and all our efforts," he added.—Reuter.

Strained Cuba-Soviet Relations

Havana, Feb. 19.—The well-informed morning newspaper, El Mundo, said today that the impression prevalent around the Cuban State Department was that a rupture in relations or at least a cessation of diplomatic connections was imminent between Cuba and Russia.

The paper drew attention to Cuban resentment over the Mindszenty affair, as well as the clash between representatives of the two countries at the Mexico City radio conference. El Mundo said it was unable to confirm the impression officially, "but no one denied the report."—United Press.

Indicted As Spies

Bradley's Far East Trip Postponed

Washington, Feb. 19.—It was reliably learned that the Chief of Staff, General Omar Bradley, had postponed his visit to the Far East—scheduled for April—until after the middle of the year, due to current Congressional hearings on the budget and the fact that in May and June he has to consider the next Army budget, as is customary in other Government Departments.

General Bradley postponed a similar visit in the last part of 1948 due to pressure of work. So far, his assistants have not succeeded in taking the pressure of work off him, but it is hoped this will be accomplished in a few months so that he will have more time to travel.

It was known that General Bradley regretted he was unable to visit the Far East last year. The trip would have enabled him to assess with firsthand knowledge the strategic situation facing the Communist advance in China. The Chief of Staff reportedly takes a keen interest in Far Eastern strategy while at the same time recognising the priority of the claims of Western Europe.—United Press.

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Jews Prevent "Oliver Twist" Film Showing

Berlin, Feb. 20.—A crowd of Polish Jews today burst into Kurbel Theatre, in the British sector of Berlin, and prevented a showing of the British film "Oliver Twist," which was to have had its Berlin premiere. Shouting "this film is anti-Semitic" and "we will not allow this film to be shown," the crowd, estimated at between 50 and 80, burst open all the exit doors and fought with members of the audience who protested against their intrusion. Seals were broken and several people were injured before order was restored by British and German police.

DELEGATION'S DEMAND

The manager of the theatre said that shortly before the show was due to begin the Polish Jews sent a six-man delegation to his office with a demand that the show be cancelled. He added that another British picture would be shown instead.

The West sector German police headquarters said a number of the Polish Jews had been arrested.

The Polish Jews' action was backed up tonight by several prominent Western Berlin politicians, scientists and actors who sent a protest to the British Military Government saying the film was "likely to stir up anti-Semitic feeling." The resolution said the film gave a "distorted and repulsive" picture of a Jewish person and should, therefore, be withdrawn from German film theatres.—Reuter.

AUSTRIA RESISTS COMMUNISM

Vienna, Feb. 20.—Chancellor Leopold Figl said today that the Communists have no more chance, to take over Austria in 1949 than they did in 1948.

Mr Figl told a People's Party rally in the Soviet zone, "Austria is no fertile soil for Communism. The year 1949, like 1948, will see Communism getting outside of Austrian frontiers. The Austrian people guarantee the world that a totalitarian regime will not take over our country."—United Press.

Huks Mix It With Constabulary

Manila, Feb. 20.—Press reports today said ten Huks were killed and four Constabulary soldiers wounded in an encounter yesterday near the border line between Tarlac and Nueva Ecija provinces.—United Press.

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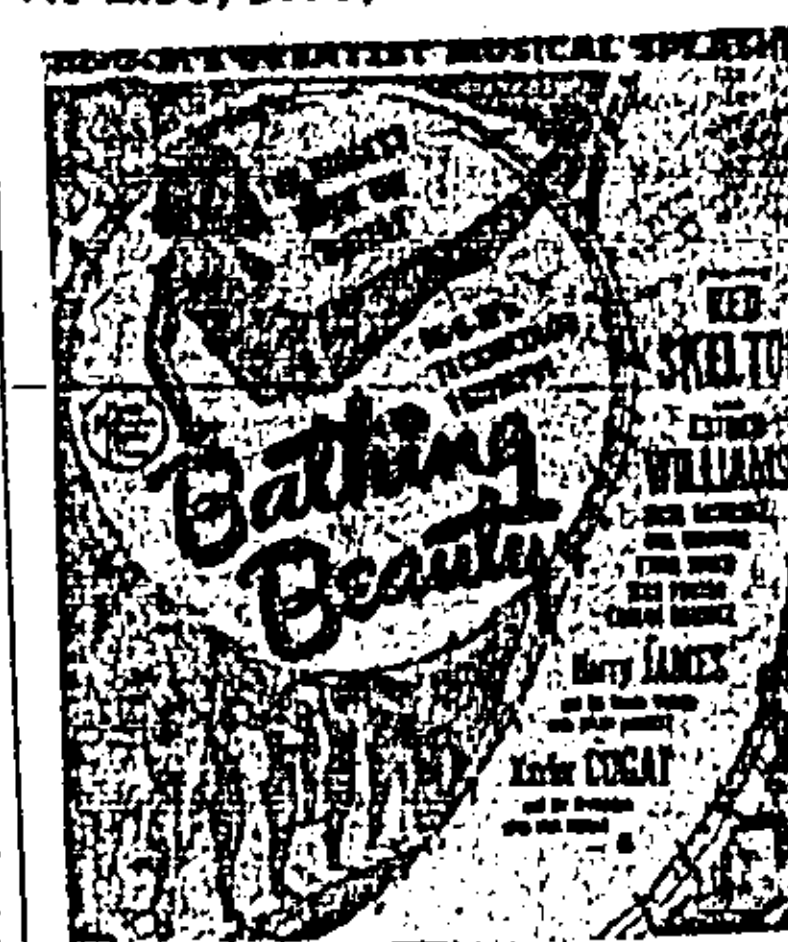
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